

Rules for the Use of Gardner Cove

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First and foremost Gardner Cove is a family recreational facility. The most important rule is consideration for others. Parents are expected to make sure beach toys are put away before leaving. Enjoy yourself at the Cove but do not let your activities interfere with others who wish to enjoy the Cove as well. And please keep your speed down on the entrance road; it is narrow and winding.

1. *Quiet Time* is from 10 PM to 7AM.
2. *Children* under 16 must be supervised by an adult at all times.
3. *Boats*- Anyone using boats belonging to the Association must supply their own adequate life jackets. State law requires that children **12** and under wear USCG-approved life jackets in boats. State law also requires life jackets on board boat for each person in the boat. Boats may not be tied to the raft during swimming season for any reason. Boats are not allowed in the swimming area. *Boats stored on boat racks must have owner name and must be removed by October 15 each year.*
4. *Association boats* must be tied up or adequately beached at night. Oars must be stowed carefully, and should be used **with care**. The safety ring and one set of oars next to it are *not* toys; they are for emergencies.
5. *No fishing* in the swimming area. No smoking on the water side of the entrance road – beach area – from Pine tree to the storage shed.
6. Pets are excluded from the sandy beach at ALL times. ***Between the hours of 10 am and 6 pm no pets are permitted on the water side of the roadway between Pine Tree and the boat rack. Pets are NEVER permitted on the sandy beach.*** Pets must be leashed and in control of the owner during dog hours. Pets may swim unleashed from the point, but must be under control of the owners. Cleanup is the responsibility of their owners. Pets are allowed between the hours of 7-10AM and after 6 PM in the grassy area by the boat racks. Dogs are allowed by the campsites but must be on a leash. Dogs may be run in the company of their owners on the wood trails.
7. *Dogs* - Only members may bring their dog(s) to the Gardner Cove property. Guests of members may not bring dog(s) to the Gardner Cove property.
8. *Radio, recordings, etc.* are permitted at Gardner Cove. However, be considerate of others. If complaints are made to the resident managers, you will be required to turn off the music or use headphones.
9. *Evenings*. The Resident manager must be notified in advance if you intend to use the beach at night.
10. *Campfires* on the beach and at campsites are permitted in the designated fire pit, unless fire permit has been lifted because of high fire risk. A sign will be posted if the fire permit has been lifted.
11. *Family Parties*. The manager must be notified in advance if you plan to have a large family party at the Cove. Reservations will avoid conflicts.
12. *Members*. The use of the Association's property and facilities is restricted to members in good standing, their immediate families, and accompanying guests; to the managers and their immediate family and guests, to full time renters of Ashcroft. Renters of Uncle Tom's cabin and the log cabin on the adjacent lot, one family per dwelling, have the privileges and responsibilities of members so long as a member is in good standing. Rental of the Association's cottages and use of the camp sites is restricted to members of the Association, their families and guests.
13. *Campsites*. Reservations are required for campsites, at least 24 hours in advance. Campers must sign in log book located in storage shed by bath house and must register names and addresses of all campers. Campers must be *at least 21* years old. Younger campers must be supervised by a responsible adult at all times.
14. *Fireworks*. Caretakers must be notified of the use of Fireworks by a Member or their guests. Fireworks must be responsibly Set-up from grassy area near fire pit area. Fireworks may not be set-up on Sandy Beach Area. Clean-up will be the responsibility of the member and **MUST** be completed by 8:00 a.m. the next morning.

If there are problems or you have questions about anything at the Cove, do not hesitate to contact the resident manager. The Board of Trustees welcomes your suggestions.