Please Post in Your Home or Rental Property

Granite Lake Association Reminders:

1. <u>Boat traffic around the lake, and specifically around the island, should be counter clockwise.</u>

Please follow these <u>Safety Rules</u> As listed in the <u>NH Boating Regulations</u>

- Boats must keep 150 feet from other boats, swimmers, floats, docks, marked swimming areas, and the shore itself when traveling above headway speed.
- <u>All Boats</u>: power, sail, canoes, kayaks, wind surfers must have one <u>Coast Guard approved flotation device</u> for each person aboard.
 Ski belts are not acceptable.
- Children age 5 and under MUST WEAR an approved jacket or vest.
- In NH, boats under 16 feet in length must carry an oar or paddle.
- The driver of any motorboat with an engine of greater than 25 HP must be 16 years or older unless accompanied by an adult. All drivers must have a NH Boating License.
- Single or dual passenger ski craft with capacity of over 20mph and carrying 1 or 2 people are not allowed by law on Granite Lake.
- <u>For water skiing,</u> two people in the boat are mandatory: the <u>driver and the observer</u> (13 or older). Additional observers are required for additional skiers.
- All boats operating after sunset and before sunrise must <u>display proper lights</u>.
 Questions or complaints: call the <u>Local Marine Patrol</u> (603-293-2037). <u>Boater Education Courses</u> 888-252-2125
- Please Inspect boats and trailers coming from other lakes to ensure they are free of all traces of aquatic life to prevent the introduction of hazardous plants and animals (e.g. Exotic Milfoil or Zebra mussels) to Granite Lake. Inspect the boat, flush cooling system, bilge areas, and wells with tap water. Discard all bait that may have contacted infested waters. Let your boat dry for 48 hours.
- If extensively fouled by algae, <u>wash the boat</u> with hot water (140° F) which kills Zebra Mussels. <u>High pressure</u> will also remove them! Avoid driving through vegetation to prevent the spread of Milfoil. Disposal of vegetation should occur well away from water sources.
- 4 Fishermen are asked to discontinue use of lead sinkers stainless steel replacements are available.
- 5 <u>Fertilizer</u>, except for <u>limestone</u>, is not to be used within 25 feet of the water's edge. <u>Phosphorus-free fertilizer</u>, IROINITE, is <u>approved</u> for lakeside use by the Department of Environmental Services.
- 6 Lake <u>residents</u> should be sure their <u>quests</u> are <u>informed</u> of, and observe all applicable <u>rules</u> and follow appropriate behavior.
- 7 <u>Boat operators</u> are urged to operate their boats in a <u>safe, legal</u> and <u>considerate</u> manner, knowing that excessive noise can be disturbing to their neighbors on the lake and damaging to wildlife.
- 8 Use environmentally friendly products. Never use soap in the lake.
- 9 <u>Do not feed</u> any <u>wild waterfowl</u> on the lake. In order to protect the lakes, ponds and surrounding water-shed, both Nelson and Stoddard have regulations against intentionally feeding wild waterfowl. Individuals violating the regulation may be subject to a fine. The birds may seem nice, but they are a major source of pollution.
- Please keep the Island safe and attractive by avoiding unsafe conditions, such as those caused by broken glass or any other debris, and by removing your rubbish when leaving the Island.
- 11 Overnight <u>camping</u>, camp <u>fires</u>, and fireworks are <u>Not Allowed</u> on the Island.

Do not hesitate to call <u>The NH Marine Patrol (877-642-9700)</u>, if you see flagrant abuses of these rules or dangerous behavior.