

#### WOOD COUNTY, TEXAS

#### **DEFINITIONS:**

"LAKES" - Shall include all lands and premises, including lands covered in whole or in part by water owned by Wood County. (High Water Mark)

"KEEPER" - Person employed by Commissioners Court to have charge of lakes at all times, to care for and maintain and to see that rules and regulations are carried out.

"PERMITS" - Or "PERMITTEE" is any person who holds or is required to have a permit from the Commissioners Court authorizing the doing of any act on the lakes or the constructing and maintaining of any kind or character or structure on the Lakes.

#### **SECTION 1.**

For the purpose of protecting the watershed of the lakes and the water impounded therein, and for the purpose of insuring insofar as possible the safety of members of the public, and the rules and regulations set out herein are hereby promulgated and published.

#### **SECTION 2.**

No stables, stock sheds, apartments, or any yard of any kind in which any horse, cattle, cows, swine or fowls, or any other animals shall be kept, shall be constructed, maintained, or used on the Lakes.

#### **SECTION 3.**

No water or liquid waste from any dwelling house, lodging house, tenant house, manufacturer, camp or campsite, or any other house or structure of any description shall be permitted to reach the lakes.

#### **SECTION 4.**

All privies, septic tanks and toilets shall be constructed in compliance with the Texas Department-of-Health and TGEQ-(Texas-Commission on Environmental Quality.) A permit shall be issued by the Commissioners Court upon the recommendation of the Sanitation Officer of the Wood County Health Unit. The keeping or maintaining of any privies, septic tanks, cesspools or toilets of any character whatsoever not constructed in accordance with these regulations, and for which a written permit has not been issued

by the Commissioners Court shall be in violation of these rules and regulations, and particularly this rule and regulation.

### SECTION 5.

The method of cleaning of privies, toilets, septic tanks and cesspools shall be at the direction of and in accordance with the requirements of the TCEQ. All rules on sanitation must comply with the Texas State Sanitation and Health Protection law in connection with the Public Health Laws in Texas.

#### SECTION 6.

No duck blinds shall be located, erected, placed or permitted to stand in or upon the lake, except upon the compliance with the following regulations, to-wit:

- (a) Written application shall be made to the Commissioners Court for a permit to locate or place a blind in or on the waters of the lake:
- (b) No permit shall be granted for locating any blind within 600 feet of any other location for a blind and the location shall be accordingly fixed in the permit, when, as and if, granted:
- (c) Applicant shall give any and all pertinent information as the Commissioners Court may deem necessary in order to pass upon such application and not more than one permit shall be granted to any one individual.
- (d) No permit shall be given for the location, building or placing of blinds, except for the use of the applicant and his bona fide guests; no blinds shall be rented, nor shall any fee whatsoever be charged by the permittee for the use of such blinds.
- (e) Any blind located, built or placed in violation of the regulations contained in this section of the terms and conditions under which a permit for the location, building or placing is granted may be destroyed or removed.
- (f) No "firearms" shooting shall be permitted on the Lake, nor shall any person, other than authorized officer or a regular employee of the Lake, carry any type of gun on the Lake except that a shot gun may be carried thereon by a bona fide duck hunter during duck hunting season.
- (g) All blinds must have the name of the owner placed on them in letters that can easily be read, and *the blinds must be removed from the lake immediately at the close of duck hunting season.*

#### SECTION 7.

The reckless operation of a motor propelled or motor driven boat, or other water craft, upon the waters of the Lake is prohibited, and each of the following shall constitute reckless operation:

(a) Driving such boat or water craft while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or narcotic drugs;

- (b) During such a conveyance when the same is not under the direct and instant control of the person driving or operating such conveyance;
- (c) Turning abruptly while during such conveyance in a manner to endanger the occupants of such conveyance or other persons or property, or either, on such lakes;
- (d) Driving such vehicle at an excessive rate of speed.
- (e) ALL Sanctioned or Unsanctioned racing is prohibited.
- (f) Any Water Courses used for racing are prohibited.

## **SECTION 8.**

No trailers or trailer houses or other living quarters or structures shall be parked upon the concession areas of the Lakes for more than a period of seven (7) days in succession and for more than thirty (30) days in any one year.

## SECTION 9.

No building, fence or other permanent structure shall be constructed upon property owned by the County around said County Lakes as of September 30, 2004, except by special permission of the Commissioners Court upon application first duly made to the Commissioners in charge of such lake and the *lake keeper shall be responsible for reporting to the commission of this precinct any violation of this regulation.* 

## SECTION 10.

No ATV's allowed within the high water line or on lake property.

## SECTION 11.

"No Alcoholic Beverage" shall be allowed in the swimming and beach areas premises and all posted areas of the County Lakes of Wood County.

## SECTION 12.

"No Animals Allowed" on the beach, parking areas or swimming areas and all posted areas of the County Lakes of Wood County.

## SECTION 13.

Any person convicted of the violation of any of the above regulations shall be fined not less than \$10.00 nor more than \$500.00 per day for each recurring violation.

#### SECTION 14.

These rules and regulations may be amended by the Commissioners Court by promulgating further and additional rules and regulations, or any changes in, or amendments to any of the above and foregoing rules and regulations.

Signed this 5<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2014.

Wood County Judge Bryan Jeanes

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ATTEST: County Clerk

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