



THE PETTIT PRESERVE

Preserve Member Use Agreement

1. There is no camping at the Preserve, except by groups performing service projects (such as Scout groups) that are specifically approved by the Board. Approved groups will abide by separate, detailed **Camping Guidelines**.
2. There is **no swimming** in the Preserve lake as this is an unacceptable liability.
3. Fishing is permitted ONLY during Preserve sanctioned events and only within specified guidelines. Written guidelines will be issued at Learning Shed with instruction on approved fishing locations.
4. **Use of the Preserve lake is by reservation only** and in accordance with a separate, detailed policy for **Guidelines for Use of Preserve Lake** (see below).
5. There is **no smoking or fireworks** on Preserve property due to fire hazards.
6. **Fires are prohibited** except in the fire ring at the Frog Pit. Members are expected to completely extinguish fire (and coals) before leaving fire ring unattended.
7. **Motorized vehicles are not permitted on Preserve trails** as it destroys the trails and disturbs wildlife.
8. Horseback riding is not permitted on the Preserve as it destroys the trails.
9. Dogs are permitted on Preserve property but ONLY on a leash.
10. **For Lake Trail Supporter level members & above private Access by Reservation** is available where members are welcome to hike the trails, fish in the lake, & picnic at the Preserve. To take advantage of this benefit, **you must make a reservation with the Executive Director no less than 72 hours prior to the scheduled date**. The Preserve will not be available for private use at days/times when public events or field trips are being held.

Guidelines for Use of Preserve Lake

1. **No motorized vessels** are allowed on lake. However, trolling motors are permitted. Watercraft intended for Lake use will be transported to water's edge by **manual means only**. **No motorized vehicles or trailers are to be used on the dam, trails, or roadways past the Learning Shed.**
2. Boats may be launched and landed **ONLY from designated launch site**.
3. No artificial, synthetic, or manufactured substance is to be introduced into the lake or Preserve environs.
4. A maximum of 4 watercraft are allowed on the Lake at any given time.
5. **No solitary Lake use allowed**; users should be in pairs or groups for safety.
6. An adult (21 years or older) must be present at all times during use of the Lake. A minimum of 1 adult for every 5 minors present is required.
7. Users of watercraft must know and conform to carrying capacity of craft and associated safety practices.
8. **Life preservers must be provided by guests and worn** in accordance with U.S. Coast Guard guidelines.
9. All materials brought into the Preserve must be taken out of the Preserve (fishing tackle, bait containers, trash, etc.). There should be no evidence other than footprints that the Preserve was visited.
10. **No smoking, alcohol or illegal substances are allowed** on Lake or Preserve property.
11. All participants must sign a statement of indemnification prior to use of the Lake and facility.
12. Visitors will secure the property upon departure (trash removal, close gates, etc). Visitors finding indication of misuse or abuse of the property should report such to a Pettit Preserve staff upon discovery.
13. Any damage to Preserve property is the sole responsibility of the user.

Signature: _____ Print Name: _____