



TOWN OF GILFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

BOAT TRAILER PARKING FACILITY REGULATIONS (CHAPTER 15-A)

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, the Gilford Board of Selectmen hereby ordains to adopt these regulations as the rules by which the Town shall make public property adjacent to the Ice Rink on Varney Point Road, (being 17 +/- acres situated at Tax Map 223, Lot 417); and within the Recycle Center off Kimball Road (being 27 +/- acres at Tax Map 215, Lot 25), available for the purposes of allowing boat trailer parking.

15-A.1 AUTHORITY

These Regulations are adopted pursuant to the authority granted under RSA 41:11-a.

15-A.2 PURPOSE

The purpose of these Regulations is to promote the safe and orderly use of the Boat Trailer Parking Facilities for the exclusive benefit of Gilford residents and property owners.

15-A.3 RULES FOR THE USE OF THE BOAT TRAILER PARKING FACILITIES

15-A.3.1 No boat trailers shall be allowed to be parked or stored at the Varney Point Road or Recycle Center facilities without a valid permit issued by the Town of Gilford (Office of the Town Clerk) to be affixed in plain sight in the vicinity of the trailer tongue.

15-A.3.2 A maximum of sixty-two (62) boat trailer parking permits will be issued per calendar year on a lottery basis. Fifty (50) permits are available for the Varney Point Road facility and twelve (12) permits are available for the Recycle Center. There is a limit of one application per trailer (duplicates shall be rejected). The application period is January 1 through April 1 of each year. The Town Administrator shall randomly draw names from a list of applicants in a public ceremony to be held in the Selectmen's Meeting Room at 12:00 noon on the first

Thursday following the first Monday in April. Winners shall be promptly notified thereafter.

- 15-A.3.3 Winners of the lottery shall have until the last Friday in June to purchase a boat trailer parking permit from the Office of the Town Clerk for a fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) upon presentation of proof of residency or taxpayer status and trailer ownership (with a valid boat trailer registration). Selection of the parking location (Varney Point Road or Recycle Center) shall be made available on a first-come first-served basis for either facility based on availability at the time of purchase. Any permits unsold after that date shall be made available to applicants in sequence based on the lottery drawing number. Permits will only be issued to the registered owner of a boat trailer. Once a permit has been issued by the Town, it may not be transferred to any other person or trailer.
- 15-A.3.4 The use of these facilities is limited to seasonal parking/storage of boat trailers with one or two axles only. Parking spaces are allocated on a first-come, first-served basis without reservations; daily use or frequent removal is not recommended, and it should be noted the Recycle Center facility is gated with limited hours for public access. No other vehicles shall be parked or stored at these facilities except in the course of delivery.
- 15-A.3.5 The storage of boats or parking of trailers with boats on them is not allowed at these facilities.
- 15-A.3.6 Boat trailer parking is allowed during the period May 1 through November 30 only. All vehicles must be removed before December 1 or they shall be considered abandoned and subject to impoundment, removal and/or disposal.
- 15-A.3.7 The Town of Gilford is not responsible for any damages, theft, liability, injury, acts of nature or any other claims resulting from the use of these facilities. The Town of Gilford assumes absolutely no duty of care for personal property (trailers) that are parked or stored at these facilities. These areas will not be routinely patrolled by Police and the ground surfaces consist of uneven, natural terrain that are not subject to any type of maintenance.
- 15-A.3.8 No boat trailer shall be parked in such a way as to unreasonably impede or obstruct access to these facilities or travel along access roads. Trailers at Varney Point Road must be tucked away from the entrance/exit travel routes to the greatest extent possible.
- 15-A.3.9 The following activities are prohibited at these facilities: overnight parking of motor vehicles or RV's, picnicking, camping, open flames, damage or removal of any vegetation, harassment or feeding of wildlife.

15-A.3.10 Notwithstanding the Town's ability to enforce these Regulations and manage these parking facilities by moving boat trailers as may be deemed necessary, it shall be a violation of these Regulations to tamper with any boat trailer without authorization from the registered owner.

15-A.3.11 Boat storage, trailer parking and overnight parking of any type in the parking lot directly in front of the ice rink is prohibited at all times.

15-A.3.12 The ecosystem surrounding the Varney Point Road facility is an environmentally sensitive wetland. No person shall cause any plants, fluids, waste or trash to be disposed of or left behind.

15-A.3.13 These facilities have a carry-in carry-out trash requirement – no trash receptacles will be provided and littering is strictly prohibited.

15-A.4 VIOLATIONS

15-A.4.1 Failure to comply with any of these Regulations shall be considered a violation subject to the penalties set forth herein.

15-A.4.2 Each continuation of a violation after notice or citation and each different rule infraction shall constitute a separate offense.

15-A.4.3 Any vehicle or trailer that is found to be in violation of these Regulations may be impounded, towed and/or removed at the complete risk of the registered owner. The cost of impoundment, towing, removal and storage shall be the responsibility of the owner. Vehicles that are confiscated and/or relocated due to a violation shall not be released until such time as all fines due are paid in full.

15-A.4.4 Any person who has committed a violation of these Regulations shall be subject to a fine as follows:

- First Offense: The amount due shall be fifty dollars (\$50.00)
- Second Offense [per season]: The amount due shall be one hundred dollars (\$100.00)
- Third (or subsequent) Offense [per season]: The amount due shall be two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00)

15-A.5 ENFORCEMENT

15-A.5.1 These Regulations may be enforced by any and all employees of the Gilford Police Department who have been duly appointed by the Board of Selectmen, including, but not limited to Attendants, and any Police Officers.

15-A.5.2 Any person who disobeys or refuses to comply with an order to vacate the premises by a duly authorized Town of Gilford enforcement official may be subject to arrest and/or prosecution for criminal trespass in addition to any other penalties that may result from the violation(s).

15-A.5.3 Failure to make payment for a fine as indicated on a citation within seven (7) days of issuance may result in prosecution in Laconia District Court. Any person found guilty in a court of law for violating these Regulations who fails to pay the fine shall thereafter not be eligible for any Town Facility Permits for the remainder of that season.

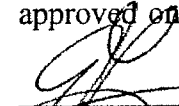
15-A.6 SEVERANCE

In the event that any word, sentence or section of these Regulations is found to be invalid as a result of judicial or legislative action, the remainder of these Regulations shall remain in full force and effect.

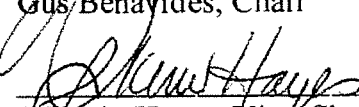
15-A.7 EFFECTIVE DATE

These Regulations shall take effect as of February 1, 2010.

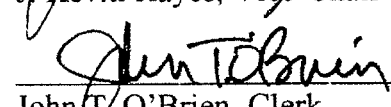
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, these Boat Trailer Parking Facility Regulations are adopted and approved on the 27th day of January, 2010. ATTEST:



Gus Benavides, Chair

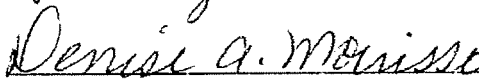


J. Kevin Hayes, Vice-Chair



John T. O'Brien, Clerk

UNDER SEAL OF THE TOWN, RECEIVED AND RECORDED ON THIS 27th DAY OF February, 20 09, BY:



Denise A. Morrissette, Town Clerk



**TOWN OF GILFORD, NH
BOAT TRAILER PARKING FACILITY
PERMIT APPLICATION**

APPLICANT'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

TRAILER REGISTRATION NUMBER: _____

TRAILER DESCRIPTION
(LENGTH, MAKE, MODEL, COLOR, ETC.): _____

"I, _____, hereby certify that I am the registered owner of the boat trailer that is the subject of this application and that I am a resident/taxpayer of the Town of Gilford. I also certify that I have read and understand the Town of Gilford Boat Trailer Parking Facility Regulations and that I will comply with these regulations if I am selected for a permit."

Signature of Applicant

Date

↓ FOR TOWN USE ONLY ↓

Application Received By

Date

Lottery Drawing Number

Permit Number (if applicable)

Permit Payment (if applicable): \$25.00 PAID cash check # _____

Issuing Official (if applicable)

Date of Issuance (if applicable)

Facility to be used: Varney Point Road Recycle Center