

**RESOLUTION**

**REGULATIONS RELATING TO LARIMER COUNTY  
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AREAS AND FACILITIES**

WHEREAS, Larimer County, through its Board of County Commissioners, operates recreational facilities in Larimer County, Colorado; and

WHEREAS, Section 29-7-101, C.R.S., authorizes the Board of County Commissioners to promulgate rules and regulations with respect to the operation of public recreational areas; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners on the 9th day of March, 1982, conducted a public hearing upon proposed regulations and adopted the same on March 24, 1982; and

WHEREAS, on May 21, 1982; January 10, 1984; January 29, 1985; December 17, 1986; March 8, 1989; December 19, 1990; May 27, 1992; March 10, 1993; December 9, 1997; March 5, 2002; May 27, 2003; May 24, 2005; February 27, 2007; January 29, 2008; January 6, 2009, and March 2, 2010, certain amendments to said regulations were adopted by the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined upon the recommendations of the Director of the Larimer County Department of Natural Resources that it is appropriate to adopt certain further amendments to said regulations and to restate the regulations in a single document as shown on Exhibit "A" attached hereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

The Public Recreation Regulations be and the same hereby are amended and restated such that said regulations shall appear and be adopted in their entirety as set forth on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

Effective this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF  
LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chair

(SEAL)

ATTEST:  
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## EXHIBIT "A"

### PUBLIC RECREATION REGULATION

- I. AUTHORITY. These regulations are authorized by section 29-7-101, et. seq., C.R.S., 42-4-101, et seq. C.R.S. and 30-15-401, et seq. C.R.S.
- II. APPLICATION; JURISDICTION; PROCEDURE. These regulations shall apply to and be enforceable within all public recreation areas and facilities owned by, or operated under the authority of, the Board of County Commissioners of Larimer County, Colorado. Enforcement of these regulations will be effected by the Department of Natural Resources Director, through the Board of County Commissioners, and the Sheriff. The Penalty Assessment procedure provided in Section 16-2-201, C.R.S., may be followed by any arresting law enforcement officer for any violation hereof. The Larimer County Court shall have jurisdiction in prosecutions of violations of the regulations. Simplified County Court procedures as set forth in Section 16-2-101, et seq., C.R.S., shall be applicable to prosecutions of violations of these regulations. Any summons and complaint brought in the Larimer County Court for a violation of any regulation shall be filed in the name of Larimer County by and on behalf of the People of the State of Colorado, with all process issued from the Larimer County Court likewise denominated. The District Attorney of Larimer County shall be empowered to enforce the regulations, and to appear and prosecute for Larimer County by and in the name of the People of the State of Colorado, in any proceeding in the Larimer County Court involving a violation of these regulations.
- III. PROHIBITED ACTS GENERALLY. The following conduct and actions are prohibited (notwithstanding anything contained in these regulations to the contrary), if an individual violates any of the regulations set forth in Section III hereof and is assessed a fine therefore, and then within 12 months of such violation the same individual violates the same regulation one or more additional times and is again assessed a fine therefore, the fine for each violation subsequent to the initial violation shall, within the limits prescribed by Colorado law, be \$50.00 greater than the fine assessed for the next preceding violation. Any person violating any regulation set forth in Section III hereof commits a Class 2 petty offense as defined in Section 18-1-107, C.R.S., as amended. If any of the regulations set forth in Section III hereof shall conflict with any other applicable law or regulation, the more stringent requirement shall control.
- IV. PENALTY ASSESSMENT PROCEDURE. Violations of these regulations may be enforced through the penalty assessment procedure set forth in Section 16-2-201 C.R.S. Service of the penalty assessment notice upon the owner or operator of the vehicle may be obtained by placing the notice on the vehicle. Such penalty assessment notice shall contain the license plate number and state registration of the vehicle and need not contain the identification of the alleged offender. Notwithstanding this provision, such penalty assessment may be served personally upon any violator.

**A. CAMPING:**

1. To camp in non-designated areas. FINE \$50.00  
A designated camp site has a fire grate, picnic table, parking spot and site number. A designated boat-in camp site must have a site marker.
2. To camp for more than 14 days in park areas administered by Larimer County in a 30-day period, between April 1<sup>st</sup> and October 31<sup>st</sup>. FINE \$50.00
3. To dig, level ground, or to attach any device to any tree, in any campsite or public use area within Larimer County Department of Natural Resources areas. FINE \$50.00
4. To operate any device in such a manner or at such a time so as to unreasonably annoy or to endanger persons in campgrounds or other public use areas. FINE \$50.00
5. To fail to comply with quiet hours in camping areas, which quiet hours are from 10:00 P.M. to 6:00 A.M., by operating generators, radios, or other devices, making loud noises that may disturb the peace of the area, or allowing pets to disturb the peace of the area. FINE \$50.00.
6. To exceed in any campsite the campsite capacity as designated by the Larimer County Department of Natural Resources , including guests. Campsite capacity is defined as 1 camping unit and 2 tents; an additional camping unit may be placed on the campsite location if an additional fee is paid. If no camping units are utilized, campsite capacity is limited to 4 tents. In no case shall the campsite capacity exceed 8 people. Camping unit is defined as any wheeled unit used to sleep in such as a trailer, RV, pop-up camper, etc. FINE \$50.00
7. To camp in a handicap-accessible campsite without displaying a valid handicap placard. Exception: When all campsites are being utilized and the handicap-accessible site is the only remaining site available in a camping area, it may be occupied by any non-disabled visitor with the understanding that the non-disabled visitor may be asked to relocate to a nearby vacant site the following day if the posted site is the only usable site available for an arriving disabled visitor. FINE \$50.00
8. To alter a campsite in any fashion without prior written approval from a Larimer County Ranger. FINE \$50.00
9. To exceed the capacity of any cabin campsite as designated by the Larimer County Department of Natural Resources, including guests. FINE \$50.00
10. To smoke, have an open flame, cook, or have any pets inside a cabin, excluding Hermit Park and Flatiron Reservoirs. FINE \$50.00
11. To smoke, have an open flame, cook or have more than two (2) pets inside a cabin inside Hermit Park and Flatiron Reservoirs Cabins. FINE \$50.00

12. For any minor to camp in any Larimer County Department of Natural Resource campsite without adult supervision or written parental permission. FINE \$50.00
13. To camp within one hundred (100) feet of any trail or stream in Horsetooth Mountain Open Space. FINE \$50.00

**B. FIRES:**

1. To build a fire outside of metal grills provided for that purpose, or to relocate grills to another area. FINE \$50.00
2. To leave any fire unattended at any time. FINE \$50.00
3. To collect firewood on any areas administered by Larimer County. FINE \$50.00
4. To violate any portion of a fire ban or fire restriction as prescribed by the Larimer County Commissioners or the State of Colorado. FINE \$50.00
5. To allow a fire to burn in a careless manner. FINE \$100.00

**C. VEHICLES:**

1. To park a vehicle within the recreation areas to which these regulations apply without a properly displayed, valid permit. FINE: \$20.00
2. To operate or park vehicles on other than established roads and parking areas. FINE \$50.00
3. In areas to which these regulations apply to operate or allow the operation of an unregistered vehicle or to operate or allow operation of any vehicle unless the operator has a valid driver's license. FINE \$50.00
4. To park vehicles or trailers in areas posted "no parking" or "no trailer parking" or in a manner which obstructs normal traffic flow. FINE \$50.00
5. To operate, or allow another to operate, a motorized vehicle in areas to which these regulations apply, in a careless manner (as defined by §42-4-1402, C.R.S. 2002 and as may be amended). FINE: \$100.00
6. To operate a vehicle in excess of the posted speed limits. FINE \$50.00
7. To park vehicles in areas posted for handicapped parking without proper handicapped identification. FINE \$50.00
8. To fail to comply with a traffic control device while operating a motor vehicle. FINE \$50.00

9. To operate, or allow another to operate/manipulate, a bicycle, horse or any other non-motorized form of transportation in areas to which these regulations apply, in a careless manner. FINE \$50.00
10. To operate, or allow another to operate, an unregistered/unplated motorcycle, dirt bike, ATV, Go-Ped, pocket bike, or similar device within the Larimer County Department of Natural Resources system. FINE \$50.00
11. To operate or allow another to operate a vehicle towing a boat or jet ski trailer while passengers are occupying any portion of the boat, jet ski, or trailer. Applies to any vehicle and trailer on any Larimer County Department of Natural Resources road other than on an established boat ramp. FINE \$50

**D. PETS:**

1. To bring or allow dogs or other animals, not under physical control, on areas to which these regulations apply. "Physical Control" specifically does NOT mean eye or voice command or electronic devices. Where a leash is used, such leash may not exceed 10 ft. in length. FINE \$50.00
2. To allow dogs or other pets to create a nuisance, noise, or disturbance. FINE \$50.00
3. To allow horses in camp sites or picnic sites FINE \$50.00
4. To knowingly or negligently allow or direct a dog one owns, or under one's control, to harass wildlife, whether or not such wildlife is injured by such dog. FINE \$50.00
5. To tie or chain a pet to a tree or a shrub which could result in damage, or to allow a tie or chain to become entangled with a tree or shrub. FINE \$50.00
6. To leave a pet unattended at any time. FINE \$50.00
7. To allow a dog to remain in the Larimer County Department of Natural Resources System once notified that such dog has been deemed aggressive or vicious by any Larimer County Ranger; or to bring a dog previously deemed aggressive or vicious by any Larimer County Ranger or court or governmental agency into the Larimer County Department of Natural Resources System. Such regulation shall apply to any person causing or allowing such dog in the Larimer County Department of Natural Resources System and shall not be limited to the registered owner. FINE \$50.00
8. To knowingly have in a Natural Resources area a dog that has bitten, scratched, pulled down, or in any way injured a person or other domestic animal. Such regulation shall apply to any person causing or allowing such dog in the Larimer County Department of Natural Resources System and shall not be limited to the registered owner. FINE \$100

9. To allow a dog or other animal at Fossil Creek Reservoir, Rim Rock Open Space or Red Mountain Open Space. FINE \$50.00

**E. PARK PERMITS:**

1. To enter or occupy the recreation areas to which these regulations apply where valid recreation permits or utility permits are required, without such a permit. FINE \$50.00  
Except that any penalty for parking a vehicle in such recreation areas shall be controlled by the regulations and fines as outlined in Section C.
2. To fail to display recreation permits on boats and vehicles as described on the permits. (Dealer vehicles and boats exempt.) Annual permits must be permanently attached. Failure to comply will result in confiscation and permanent loss of permit. FINE \$50.00
3. To knowingly make a false statement or give false information in connection with purchasing or displaying a park permit. FINE \$50.00
4. To copy, counterfeit, or fraudulently reproduce a Larimer County Department of Natural Resources park permit, or to display a copied, counterfeited, or fraudulently reproduced Larimer County Department of Natural Resources park permit. FINE: \$200.00

**F. USE RESTRICTION:**

1. To occupy areas that are designated by the Larimer County Department of Natural Resources as day use only, at times outside of allowed hours. (Areas designated for day use only will be posted as such and hours of use, unless otherwise posted, shall be from 6:00 am until sunset.) FINE \$50.00
2. To enter, use, trespass upon, or occupy any areas to which these regulations apply which are posted, or as directed by Larimer County Department of Natural Resources employee, against such use. FINE \$50.00
3. To park in excess of the posted time limit. FINE \$20.00
4. To hike, bike, or ride a horse in an area on other than designated trails. FINE \$50.00
5. To fail to yield to other trail users in the manner posted by the Larimer County Department of Natural Resources. FINE \$50.00
6. To construct, place or maintain any kind of road, trail, structure, fence, enclosure, geocache, communication equipment, or other improvement on Larimer County Department of Natural Resources properties without prior written permission. FINE \$50.00

7. To boulder or rock climb in non-designated areas. FINE \$50.00
8. To enter, use or occupy Larimer County Department of Natural Resources properties, or any portion thereof, during the time such areas or any portions thereof, are designated as sensitive areas, seasonal closures, wildlife protection closures, refuges, no-public- access areas, or any other protected areas. FINE \$50.00
9. To throw, discharge or launch any type of missile, rocket-propelled device, or other self-propelled projectile on Larimer County Natural Resources areas. Excluding spearfishing, archery and gigging for carp or suckers in accordance with CDOW regulations. FINE \$50.00
10. To operate any remote controlled water, surface or air vehicle on Larimer County Natural Resources areas; or to operate any self-powered, water, surface, or air vehicle on Larimer County Natural Resources areas. FINE \$50.00
11. To bike or ride a horse on trails designated as hiking only. FINE \$50.00
12. To launch, land or touch down a hot air balloon on or from Larimer County Department of Natural Resources Properties without prior written approval. FINE \$50.00

**G. UNATTENDED PROPERTY:**

1. To leave property unattended in excess of 24 hours unless left in a paid campsite. FINE \$50.00

**H. COMMERCIAL USE:**

1. To use public areas or public waters for any commercial purpose whatsoever without the express written consent of Larimer County, Colorado. FINE \$50.00  
For written consent: See Larimer County Department of Natural Resources area manager
2. To unlawfully sell a campsite or other service provided by Larimer County Department of Natural Resources FINE \$50.00

**I. SANITATION:**

1. To leave fish, fish entrails, dog or other pet excrement, waste water, cans, bottles, plastic or paper cartons, or other litter of any type on lands or in waters. FINE \$50.00

2. To use refuse containers provided for public use to dump household or commercial refuse brought from outside, to areas to which these regulations apply. FINE: \$50.00
3. To clean fish, animals, food, clothing or other household articles, or to do personal washing at drinking-water hydrants. FINE \$50.00
4. To possess or use glass containers in areas controlled by the Larimer County Department of Natural Resources. FINE \$50.00
5. To refuel a vessel while on the water or shoreline, unless at a commercial fueling facility. FINE \$50.00
6. At any campsite or cabin campsite, to fail to store food, beverages, toiletries, trash or any other type of wildlife attractant in a hard-sided vehicle, hard-sided container or in a camping unit that is constructed of solid, non-pliable material. A hard-sided vehicle is defined as the trunk of an automobile, the cab of a pick-up truck, the interior of a motor home, fifth wheel, camping trailer or pick-up camper. A hard-sided vehicle does not include any type of tent, pop-up camper or pick-up camper with nylon, canvas or other pliable material, car top carriers or camper shells on the back of pick-up trucks. A hard-sided container does not include any type of back-pack, bag, box or container made of nylon, canvas or other pliable material. FINE \$50.00
7. To leave human excrement on lands or in waters or to urinate in public. FINE \$50.00

**J. DESTRUCTION OF PUBLIC PROPERTY:**

1. To remove, destroy, mutilate, modify, or deface any building, structure, water-control device, fence, gate, notice, sign, survey or section marker, tree, shrub, or other plant or vegetation, or any other item of public property. FINE \$100.00, unless damage exceeds \$100.00, then TO BE FIXED BY THE COURT
2. To take, collect, gather, or possess any animal, vegetation, rock, wood, or any other object on Larimer County Department of Natural Resources properties. FINE \$50.00
3. To alter, damage, destroy, remove, or in any way vandalize wildlife habitat features on any Larimer County Department of Natural Resources properties, including but not limited to animal dens, burrows, dwellings, nests, or nesting areas. FINE \$50.00
4. To take, gather, remove, possess, alter, sell, or destroy any cultural or historical artifact on any Larimer County Department of Natural Resources properties. FINE \$200.00 plus any additional amount assessed by the Court.

**K. DISORDERLY CONDUCT AND PUBLIC INDECENCY:**

1. To publicly, knowingly, or recklessly make a coarse and obviously offensive utterance, gesture or display, or abuse or threaten a person in an obviously offensive

manner, or make unreasonable noise or fight with another (except in an amateur or professional contest of athletic skill), or discharge a firearm. FINE \$100 or TO BE FIXED BY COURT

2. To knowingly expose one's genitals, pubic area, or buttocks with less than a full opaque covering, or the showing of the female breast with less than a fully opaque covering of any portion thereof below the top of the areola. FINE \$50.00

**L. ALCOHOL AND CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES:**

1. To possess or consume an alcoholic beverage that was over 3.2% alcohol in a Larimer County Department of Natural Resources area. Failure to comply will result in confiscation and permanent loss. FINE \$50.00
2. To possess or consume an alcoholic beverage in a Larimer County Department of Natural Resources area and was under 21 years of age. FINE \$100.00
3. To possess a keg containing or having contained an alcoholic beverage in a Larimer County Department of Natural Resources area. Failure to comply will result in confiscation and permanent loss. FINE \$50.00
4. To possess one ounce or less of marihuana in a Larimer County Department of Natural Resources area FINE \$100.00
5. To possess drug paraphernalia and knows or reasonably should know that the drug paraphernalia could be used under circumstances in violation of the laws of the State of Colorado. FINE \$100.00

**M. ELUDING AND INTERFERENCE:**

1. To elude or attempt to elude a park ranger after having received a visual or audible signal to stop. FINE \$100.00
2. Unlawful to interfere or attempt to interfere with any Larimer County Park Ranger, or other employee while in performance of their duties on water or lands or to give false or misleading information with the intent to mislead said person in the performance of their duties. FINE \$100.00

**N. FIREARMS AND OTHER WEAPONS:**

1. To publicly display or discharge any firearm, as defined in C.R.S. § 18-1-901(3)(h), except such firearm may be carried, unloaded, if in continuous non-stop transit to an approved and legal hunting area, if the carrier has a valid hunting license on their person. FINE \$50.00

2. To publicly display, carry on their person, use or allow the use of weapons of any kind, including but not limited to B.B. guns, pellet guns, long bows or cross bows, or other deadly weapons, as defined in C.R.S. § 18-1-901(3)(e), excluding firearms, except such weapon may be carried, unloaded or sheathed, if in continuous non-stop transit to an approved and legal hunting area, if the carrier has a valid hunting license on their person. Also excludes equipment for spearfishing, archery and gigging for carp or suckers if in accordance with CDOW regulations. FINE \$50.00

(This regulation does not intend to constrict the rights given to current concealed handgun permit holders through CRS 18-12-214, who have their permits in their possession as required by CRS 18-12-204.)

**O. FIREWORKS:**

1. To possess or discharge any types of fireworks, sparklers, etc., or explosive devices. Failure to comply will result in confiscation and permanent loss. FINE \$50.00

**P. HUNTING, TRAPPING, and WILDLIFE:**

1. To engage in any hunting activity on any Larimer County Department of Natural Resources properties unless such activity is authorized by current postings. FINE \$100.00
2. To engage in any hunting activity without a valid hunting license. FINE \$100.00
3. To engage in any hunting activity without a current hunter safety card. FINE \$100.00
4. To engage in any trapping activity. FINE \$100.00
5. To unlawfully harass or disturb wildlife. FINE \$100.00
6. To refuse inspection of personal identification, hunting license, or firearm by a park ranger. FINE \$100.00
7. To engage in a hunting activity in a closed area. FINE \$100.00
8. To engage in a hunting activity before or after legal hunting hours. FINE \$100.00
9. To hunt in a careless manner. FINE \$100.00
10. To discharge a firearm in a careless manner. FINE \$100.00
11. To use a prohibited weapon while hunting. FINE \$100.00
12. To engage in a hunting activity while under the influence of drugs or alcohol. FINE \$100.00

13. To have a loaded firearm in a vehicle. FINE \$100.00
14. To intentionally interfere with lawful hunting or fishing activities. FINE \$100.00
15. To engage in a hunting activity without required daylight fluorescent orange garments. FINE \$100.00
16. Failure to attach carcass tag immediately upon kill. FINE \$100.00
17. To have a loaded firearm while transporting across a Larimer County Natural Resources area. FINE \$100.00
18. To engage in a hunting activity within 150 feet of any structure or trailhead. FINE \$100.00
19. To intentionally feed or attempt to feed wildlife. FINE \$50.00
20. To harass or disturb cattle or other livestock on Larimer County Department of Natural Resources property. FINE \$100.00 If livestock is damaged, additional amount to be assessed by court.
21. To allow cattle or other livestock onto Larimer County Department of Natural Resources property or into grazing pastures not in accordance to approved grazing leases. FINE \$100.00 plus additional amounts to be assessed by court
22. To track or hunt any animal injured during legal hunting times onto Larimer County Department of Natural Resources property without prior approval. FINE \$50.00

**Q. FISHING:**

1. To ice fish, walk, or operate a vehicle on the ice at Carter Lake, Flatiron Reservoir, Pinewood Lake, Horsetooth Reservoir, or Fossil Creek Reservoir. FINE \$50.00
2. To fish from the spillway structure or the inlet channel within 200 ft. of the power plant water gate at Flatiron Reservoir, or at the inlet area of Horsetooth Reservoir from March 15- May 31 as posted, or at Fossil Creek Reservoir, or at any other restricted fishing areas. FINE \$50.00
3. To fish in any designated swimming area. FINE \$50.00
4. To fish without a proper and valid fishing license as required by the Colorado Division of Wildlife. FINE \$50.00
5. To fish with more than one rod and line without an additional rod stamp as required by the Colorado Division of Wildlife or to fish with more than two rods. FINE

\$50.00

6. To have in possession over the legal bag limit of a fish species. FINE \$50.00

Bag limits: See current Colorado Division of Wildlife Fishing Regulations

7. To have in possession a fish that did not meet the length requirement. FINE \$50.00

Length requirements: See current Colorado Division of Wildlife Fishing Regulations

8. To fish with an unattended rod(s). FINE \$50.00

9. To engage in spearfishing, archery, or gigging for species other than carp or suckers except in accordance with CDOW regulations. FINE \$50.00

## **R. SWIMMING AREAS:**

1. To swim or allow to swim in a non-designated area. FINE \$50.00

2. To jump or dive from land, object or structure into water. FINE \$100.00

3. To knowingly or negligently allow dogs or other animals to enter the swimming areas: land or water. FINE \$50.00

4. To occupy the swim beach while in possession of an alcoholic beverage or while under the influence of alcohol, a narcotic drug, or any other substance. FINE \$50.00

5. To engage in careless or reckless activities at the swim area, on land or in water, which creates a risk of injury or inconvenience to another. FINE \$50.00

6. To allow any child under the age of 13 on the swim beach without providing adequate adult supervision by a person 18 years or older. FINE \$50.00

## **S. SCUBA DIVING:**

1. Scuba diving in non-designated areas. FINE \$50.00

2. To scuba dive or allow scuba diving without displaying a legal diver's flag at or near the point of submergence. Such flag shall have one diagonal white stripe on a red background and be capable of being identified at a distance of not less than 100 yards. Divers must remain within a 100 foot radius of the flag. FINE \$50.00

3. To conduct a scuba diving class without a certified instructor. FINE \$50.00

4. To scuba dive alone. FINE \$50.00

5. To fail to obtain permission from Larimer County Department of Natural Resources prior to engaging in scuba diving activities. FINE \$50.00

### BOATING REGULATIONS

All activities of recreational users on waters and in areas to which these regulations apply, shall be in compliance with these regulations and with Article 13 of Title 33, C.R.S. The following conduct and actions in operating a boat or other vessel on waters, or in areas to which these regulations apply, are prohibited.

#### **T. REQUIRED SAFETY EQUIPMENT:**

1. Personal Flotation Device (PFD):
  - ◆ To operate or give permission to operate a vessel less than 16 ft. in length unless, at least one Type I Life Preserver, Type II buoyant vest, or Type III special purpose water safety buoyant device, is on board for each person. FINE \$50.00
  - ◆ To operate or give permission to operate a vessel 16 ft. or more in length unless at least one Type I life preserver, or Type II buoyant vest, or Type III personal flotation device is on board for each person, plus at least one Type IV buoyant cushion or ring life buoy or its equivalent is present which is immediately available as a throwable device. FINE \$50.00
  - ◆ To operate or give permission to operate any sailboard, or surfboard, jet ski, aqua scooter, or similar device unless such operator is wearing a USCG Type I, Type II, Type III, or Type V personal flotation device. FINE \$50.00
  - ◆ To operate or give permission to operate a vessel unless the required personal flotation devices are readily accessible, and legibly marked with appropriate USCG number, are of the appropriate size for the person(s) wearing them or for whom they are intended. FINE \$50.00
  - ◆ To equip a vessel with or use safety equipment which is not in good and serviceable condition. FINE \$50.00
2. Sound Producing Device (SPD)--To operate or give permission to operate a vessel without an efficient whistle or other sound producing mechanical appliance, other than a siren, which can be heard under normal atmospheric conditions for a distance of one-half mile. FINE \$50.00
3. Carburetor Backfire Flame Arrestors--To operate or give permission to operate an inboard gasoline engine not equipped with an acceptable means of backfire flame control. Following systems of backfire flame control are acceptable: Backfire flame

arrestor labeled: “Complies with UL 1111 per tests by (name of facility),” or “SAE J-1928, Marine,” or U.S. Coast Guard approval number 162.016, 162.041, 162.015, and 162.042; ***OR*** Engine air and fuel induction system labeled with “SAE-J1928, Marine” and manufacturer name. FINE \$50.00

4. Ventilation--To operate or give permission to operate any vessel without adequate engine, bilge, and fuel tank ventilation capable of removing any resulting gasses prior to and during the time such vessel is occupied by a person. The ventilation system shall have at least two ventilation ducts. There will be one rear facing cowl with a hose extending from it to the lower portion of the bilge. There will also be one forward facing cowl with a hose extending from it to midway to the bilge or at least below the level of the carburetor air intake. Power ventilation systems are preferred over natural ventilation systems, but are not mandated. FINE \$50.00

5. Fire Extinguishers:

- ◆ To operate or give permission to operate a vessel of closed construction, or 26 ft. in length or more, without the appropriate size and type U.S. Coast Guard approved fire extinguisher on board in compliance with the following:

<u>BOAT CLASS</u>	<u>NUMBER &amp; SIZE REQUIRED</u>
A	1 B-I
1	1 B-I
2	2 B-I or 1 B-II
3	3 B-I or 2 B-II & 1 B-I
B-I	1 1/4 lb foam, 4 lb CO <sub>2</sub> , or 2 lb dry chemical
B-II	2 1/2 lb foam, 15 lb CO <sub>2</sub> , or 10 lb dry chemical

\*Outboard motorboats less than 26 feet in length, of open construction, not carrying passengers for hire, are exempt from this regulation. FINE \$50.00

- ◆ To operate a vessel or give permission to operate a vessel of closed construction or a vessel 26 ft. in length or more without the fire extinguisher being readily accessible and stored away from potential hazard areas such as fuel tanks and engines. FINE \$50.00

6. Lights--To operate a vessel from sunset to sunrise without the appropriate lights. All vessels operating between sunset and sunrise must display all lights required by the current Colorado State Boating regulations. FINE \$50.00

- ◆ Masthead light is a white light placed over the fore and aft centerline.
- ◆ Sidelights are a green light on the starboard side and a red light on the port side.
- ◆ Sternlight is a white light placed near or on the stern.

7. To allow any child under the age of 13 to be on board any vessel unless wearing a Type I, Type II or Type III Personal Flotation Device, unless in an enclosed cabin. FINE \$50.00

**U. REGISTRATION:**

1. To operate or give permission to operate a vessel or a boat with a motor or sail without a valid state registration certificate. FINE \$50.00
2. To operate or give permission to operate a vessel without a valid state registration number to be displayed on the bow of the vessel. Numbers should read from left to right in block letters, need to be a minimum of three inches in height, be a color contrasting the background color, and be attached in a permanent fashion. FINE \$50.00
3. To operate or give permission to operate a vessel without a valid expiration date decal to be displayed on the bow of the vessel. FINE \$50.00
4. To operate or give permission to operate a vessel not requiring registration without having the owner's name and address written on the vessel in a clearly visible and permanent fashion. FINE \$50.00

**V. WATER SKIING:**

1. To fail to wear a personal flotation device while on water skis, surfboards, inner tubes, or similar devices, or to allow a person to be towed on water skis, surfboards, inner tubes, or similar devices, without wearing a personal flotation device. FINE \$50.00
2. To operate a vessel while towing any person on water skis, surfboards, inner tubes, or similar devices without an observer present in the vessel in addition to the driver, to observe the progress of the person being towed and capable of relaying messages to the operator. FINE \$50.00
3. To fail to raise a 12"-square red flag while a water skier or other person being towed by the vessel is down in the water. Such flag must be raised while towing equipment is in the water. FINE \$50.00
4. To water ski or tow persons on the water between the hours of sunset and sunrise. FINE \$50.00
5. To waterski or tow persons or equipment on the water in areas designated as "No Wake" or "No Ski" areas. FINE \$50.00

**W. PROHIBITED OPERATION OF A VESSEL OR RELATED ACTIVITIES:**

1. To operate a vessel with persons riding or sitting on either the starboard or port gunwales thereof or on a decking over the bow or in any other unsafe position. FINE \$50.00
2. To operate a vessel within 150 ft. of any swimming area, moored vessel, any other vessel, person engaged in fishing, or person in a vessel engaged in servicing buoys, or markings, and fail to reduce the speed of the vessel in order to prevent the wake or wash of the vessel from causing damage or inconvenience. FINE \$50.00
3. To operate a vessel in a clockwise direction of travel on Carter Lake and Horsetooth Reservoir. FINE \$50.00
4. To operate a vessel in such a manner as to create a wake when such waters or parts thereof are posted by signs, marked by buoys prohibiting a wake, or on Pinewood Reservoir. FINE \$50.00
5. To operate or knowingly give permission to operate a vessel or be in actual physical control of a vessel while under the influence of alcohol, a narcotic drug, or any other drug which renders the operator incapable of safely operating a vessel, or any combination thereof. FINE TO BE FIXED BY THE COURT
6. To operate a vessel and fail to steer to the starboard (right) side when another vessel is approaching head-on or nearly so. FINE \$50.00
7. To overtake another vessel and fail to keep clear of the vessel being overtaken. FINE \$50.00
8. To fail to give the right-of-way to a vessel on the right when the course of two vessels is such that, unchanged, will cross. FINE \$50.00
9. To fail to yield the right-of-way to a non-powered vessel. FINE \$50.00
10. To operate a vessel or manipulate any water skis, surfboard, inner tube, or similar device in a careless manner so as to endanger the person, life, limb, or property of any person. FINE \$100.00
11. To operate or give permission to operate any vessel without adequate muffling devices so as to make excessive noise. Excessive noise is defined as vessels emitting in excess of 86 db while at full throttle and at a distance of 50 ft. from a sound level meter. FINE \$50.00
12. To use, or allow use, on the waters outside of designated swim areas, any air mattresses, inner tubes, air inflated devices, rubber rafts with less than three air chambers or other flotation device, except while being towed behind a vessel, for

water skiing. This regulation does not apply to the use of approved life jackets.  
FINE \$50.00

13. To moor, beach, anchor, or otherwise leave a vessel (unless actively engaged in camping or fishing with persons at the campsite) unless such vessel has a leased mooring from the reservoir concessionaire. FINE \$50.00
14. To discharge water closets or be capable of discharging water closets into the waters or to discharge any form of human waste into the waters. FINE \$100.00
15. To fish, ski, wade ,swim or beach any watercraft from boat-launching docks or ramp areas. FINE \$50.00
16. To tie a vessel to a public dock for more than 10 minutes for purposes of loading, unloading, or mooring the vessel or other wise loitering or occupying the ramp or docks in a way that creates a safety or operational issue. . FINE \$50.00
17. To operate, or give permission to operate, or offer for rent a vessel which is overloaded or unseaworthy. FINE \$50.00
18. To fail to operate a vessel in compliance with the designation of the buoys displayed. FINE \$50.00
19. To moor or attach a vessel to any buoy or navigation aid. FINE \$50.00
20. To operate a ski-kite or parachute or any type of “flying tube.” FINE \$50.00
21. To operate any vessel within 100 ft. of a scuba diving flag. FINE \$50.00
22. To operate any vessel on Flatiron Reservoir or Fossil Creek Reservoir. FINE \$50.00
23. To operate a sailing vessel in a mooring area except for purposes of ingress and egress. FINE \$50.00
24. To operate or give permission to operate any motorized vessel by/to a person under 16 years of age. Except any person under 16 years of age, but not less than 14 years of age, who has proof of successfully completing a boating safety course approved by the Colorado Department of Parks and Outdoor Recreation. FINE \$50.00
25. To operate or give permission to operate a Personal Watercraft between the hours of sunset to sunrise. FINE \$50.00

Personal Watercraft is defined as a vessel which uses an inboard motor powering a jet pump as its primary source of propulsion and which is designated to be operated by a person sitting, standing, or kneeling inside the vessel.

26. To operate or give permission to operate a Personal Watercraft equipped by the manufacturer with a lanyard-type engine cutoff switch and not have the lanyard

attached to the operator, operator's clothing, or personal flotation device as appropriate. FINE \$50.00

Personal Watercraft is defined as a vessel which uses an inboard motor powering a jet pump as its primary source of propulsion and which is designated to be operated by a person sitting, standing, or kneeling inside the vessel.

27. To operate a Personal Watercraft towing a person on water skis, knee-board, inflatable craft, or any other device unless the Personal Watercraft is designed to accommodate three persons. FINE \$50.00

Personal Watercraft is defined as a vessel which uses an inboard motor powering a jet pump as its primary source of propulsion and which is designated to be operated by a person sitting, standing, or kneeling inside the vessel.

28. Every vessel shall at all times maintain a proper look-out by sight and hearing as well as by all available means appropriate in the prevailing circumstances and conditions so as to make a full appraisal of the situation and of the risk of collision. FINE \$50.00
29. No vessel shall be anchored so as to block movement of other vessels through narrow passages. FINE \$50.00

**X. AQUATIC NUISANCE SPECIES:**

1. Knowingly or willfully possess, import, export or transport an Aquatic Nuisance Species on a vessel. FINE \$150.00
2. Knowingly or willfully launch a vessel outside of the designated time frame of Aquatic Nuisance Species inspections within Larimer County Natural Resources properties. FINE \$50.00
3. Knowingly or willfully launch a vessel without obtaining an inspection on the day of launch. FINE \$50.00
4. Interfere or decline a vessel inspection, high risk inspection or decontamination. FINE \$100.00

**Y. SPECIAL EVENTS POLICY AND REGULATIONS:**

The Larimer County Department of Natural Resources recognizes that special events and activities sponsored by public and/or private organizations in Larimer County Natural Resource areas serve the public interest, benefit Larimer County, and are a valid and proper use of Larimer County Natural Resource areas. The Larimer County Department of Natural Resources will encourage and promote special events and activities throughout its system.

In order to protect and preserve park and open-space facilities and park and open space resources, special events and activities will be governed by the following conditions:

1. To unlawfully hold a Special Event without prior approval as defined in this section FINE \$100
2. In general, Special Events (not to exceed one year in length) shall conform in nature to the intended uses for Larimer County Department of Natural Resources area. These events and activities shall not damage or endanger park and open space facilities or park and open space resources, and shall minimize inconvenience to other parks and open space visitors.
3. Upon contacting the Larimer County Department of Natural Resources regarding a Special Event or Activity, the sponsor will be sent a Special Event Application. The sponsor shall submit a completed application form to the Larimer County Department of Natural Resources for review and approval. Information required will include the nature of the event or activity, sponsoring organization, purpose, location, date, time, number of participants, cost of entry, etc.
4. Non-profit or benefit events may be held without being assessed an Event Fee if extra services are not required by the Larimer County Department of Natural Resources. An Event Fee may be assessed for commercial events and for extra services provided by the Larimer County Department of Natural Resources. Payment, if required, is due upon approval of the application unless other arrangements have been made.
5. Valid park permits are required on all participant vehicles and boats unless other arrangements have been approved. Admission is on a first-come, first-served basis unless other arrangements have been approved. No implied rights or reservations are granted regarding camping or parking spaces.
6. If Larimer County Department of Natural Resources is designated as a beneficiary of the event or activity, the Larimer County Department of Natural Resources may work with the permittee on a suitable donation of manpower, equipment, and/or funding for a beneficial project.
7. All participants in the event or activity agree to obey all regulations of the Larimer County Department of Natural Resources and any other local, state, or federal regulations that may apply.
8. Approval to hold this event does not imply that extra services will be provided nor does it place any additional liabilities upon Larimer County.
9. The permittee shall comply with the Larimer County requirement for general liability insurance. The permittee must submit a Certificate of Insurance with **Larimer County** named as an additional insured for the minimum amount of \$150,000 per person and \$600,000 per occurrence or \$1,000,000 combined single limit. The Risk Management Department may impose additional coverage depending on the type of

event.

10. The permittee shall supply all necessary manpower and equipment to safely conduct this event. The permittee shall be responsible for any and all damage to park and open space resources and/or facilities that result from this event.
11. All beverages with alcohol content greater than 3.2% by weight are prohibited, by law.
12. The permittee agrees to cooperate with the Larimer County Department of Natural Resources to provide publicity including, but not limited to: signs, banners, press coverage, etc., for the event or activity for promotion and to minimize conflicts with other visitors. All required temporary signs, buoys, banners, markers, etc., are to be installed with approval from the Larimer County Department of Natural Resources. Post-event removal is required immediately after the event or activity.
13. The Larimer County Department of Natural Resources maintains the right and authority to amend or cancel an approved permit at any time should the permittee fail to abide by conditions agreed to and/or if public health, safety, and welfare conditions so dictate.

## **Z. DEFINITION**

Larimer County Natural Resources area – shall mean any building, structure, open space, conservation area, land, water, or other space under the control of the Larimer County Department of Natural Resources, regardless of whether such control is through ownership, dedication, lease, easement, covenant, memorandum of understanding, intergovernmental agreement, contract or other mechanism of control