

BURNT STORE LAKES
PROPERTY OWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC.
POLICY / PROCEDURE STATEMENT
KAYAK / CANOE LAUNCH

PURPOSE: To establish a designated canoe / kayak launch area to permit BSLPOA property owners' access to Bear Branch Creek for the use of paddle craft. This policy will further establish a policy and procedure for maintenance and use of a soft launch area.

SCOPE: To define the responsibilities of the Association as well as property owners and allow property owners to enjoy the natural beauty of Bear Branch Creek, a narrow, shallow water outlet, to Charlotte Harbor. This community site was selected because of the large green belt area with road access allowable within the Deed Restrictions. The site offers ample area for parking and a buffer zone for abutting properties.

PROCEDURE: Use and maintenance of the canoe / kayak soft launch shall be organized and adhered to as follows:

1. Persons entering and using this designated area do so at their own risk.
2. Commercial use of this private designated area is not permitted.
3. Hours of operation for this designated area shall be 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
4. Parking:
 - a. Shall be allowed in the clearly marked area only. Parking is not allowed in other areas of the green belt and/or undeveloped lots.
 - b. Property owners and/or guests must clearly display proper membership identification, including dates when applicable. Unidentified vehicles are subject to trespassing laws (F.S.S. 810.09) and will be towed at the owner's expense.
 - c. Motorized vehicles are not allowed on the soft ramp.
 - d. No parking in front of the ramp.
 - e. No overnight parking.
5. Registration:
 - a. Property owners are requested to register by completing the log book located on site. Log details shall include name, date and time(s) of use.
 - b. Property owners are requested to check the validity of other vehicles parked at this site. After one Warning Notice on the vehicle, unknown or unidentified vehicles shall be noted in the log book with the following information: date and time, make, model and color of vehicle, license plate number and state of issue. When necessary, place the Warning Notice on the vehicle. Notices will be stored with the log book. Report parking violations to the Office during normal office hours 941-639-5881 or to the Sheriff non-emergency Administration at 941-629-0013 at all other times.

- c. Remember to log in upon your return
- 6. Signs will be placed at the entrance to canoe / kayak soft launch area at Acapulco Rd as well as at the ramp entrances. The signs will define who can and cannot use the soft launch area and that ONLY paddle craft may be on the ramp surface.
- 7. Proper management of the canoe / kayak soft launch area will requires volunteer help from BSL property owners and residents; especially those who will use the facility.
- 8. Bring out whatever you bring in: take your trash with you.
- 9. Be respectful of your neighbors; use care and caution when entering or exiting this designated area.
- 10. Motorized vehicles are not allowed on the ramp.
- 11. NOTE: Use of the Kayak / Canoe Launch for commercial or group tour purposes is not permitted without the express, written permission by the Board of Directors.

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