

CHAPTER SIX - Section 6.06

FISHING

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I. POLICY

Lake Monticello fishing regulations are designed to maintain the lake as an enjoyable, quality recreational facility for residents and their guests. Discretion should always be shown in taking fish barely over the minimum size or in taking more fish than the fisherman can use.

The following specific Rules and Regulations shall be in force regarding fishing in the Lake Monticello community:

- A. Only LMOA property owners, Marina Point unit owners, resident tenants of these owners and their guests may fish at Lake Monticello.
- B. Unless otherwise exempted by Virginia laws, all persons aged 16 and older fishing on any of the lakes, including Golf Course Ponds, shall possess a valid Commonwealth of Virginia Fishing License.
- C. **Fishing is not allowed in the roped off swimming areas of the beaches or in areas adjacent to roped off swimming areas.**
- D. Creel and fish size limitations shall be set by the General Manager and posted at the Lake Monticello Marina. These limitations may be more restrictive than those established by the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries.
- ~~E.~~ All fishing tournaments or organized fishing events shall require prior approval from the General Manager. The General Manager shall communicate any special regulations or restrictions applicable to the event, including the requirement for a written report of the results.
- ~~F.~~ Trot lines, or unattached fishing lines suspended from floats, are not permitted in any of the lakes.
- ~~G.~~ Use of fishing seines, nets or other similar apparatus is not permitted on any lakes. Minnow traps at waterfront lot owner's property are permissible.
- ~~H.~~ In addition to these rules and regulations, fishing on the Golf Course ponds shall conform to the golf course rules and regulations set forth elsewhere in this Policy Manual.
- ~~I.~~ LMOA posted "No Fishing" signs must be obeyed.

II. ENFORCEMENT

- A. Officials from the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries enforce the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia that apply to fishing. These officials may patrol waters in the Lake Monticello community.
- B. Where these Rules and Regulations are outside the jurisdiction of government officials, they shall be enforced by the LMOA General Manager through the Chief of Police.