

SALMON LAKE RESIDENTS

Important Contact Numbers

Emergencies
(Police, Fire, Ambulance) 911

West Parry Sound Health Centre
705-746-9321

Township of Seguin
705-732-4300

HydroOne Power Outage Reporting
1-800-434-1235

Help to Support Salmon Lake

Consider a membership in the
Salmon Lake Ratepayers' Association

www.salmonlake.ca

For more information contact us at:
info@salmonlake.ca



Welcome
New Cottage Owners
and Visitors

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Welcome to Salmon Lake

Salmon Lake is one of Seguin Township's pristine recreational lakes. As you probably know, many lakes become green with algae bloom during the late and hot summer months. This has not happened to Salmon Lake due to the fact that the phosphorous levels are below the threshold that would cause this green bloom. It is in part through the careful actions of residents of this lake that we are able to maintain it in such pristine condition.

Salmon Lake, with its surface area of 68.1 hectares is dwarfed by neighbouring Otter Lake. The perimeter of the lake is 6.9km with 1.1 km of island shoreline. The maximum depth of the lake is 14.3 metres, with a mean depth of 7.4 metres. 10% of the shoreline is crown land.

This lake is valued by all of the residents for its recreational attributes as well as the lake water that many of us use for household purposes. To maintain the lake in this condition we must avoid using lawn and garden fertilizers within 20 metres of the lake and then only once a year applications if necessary. We should also avoid bathing with shampoo and soaps in the lake. As residents of this lake region, we all have a responsibility to ensure that we do everything we can to protect the lake and our local environment.

This brochure is intended to provide you with helpful ideas and requirements for living on Salmon Lake and preserving this heritage for our children and our grandchildren as well as all future generations.

Recommended House Rules

Owning or renting a cottage on sensitive northern lakes such as Salmon Lake requires a serious amount of responsibility.

Here are some helpful guidelines:

Even though you are in a rural area you are never far from your neighbour and noise carries whether hosting a party or in your everyday activities. Consider the time of day and noise levels.

- When hosting parties or gatherings of groups of people avoid excessive noise after 11:00 p.m.

- We are on septic systems so avoid the use of harsh chemicals in your sinks and toilets. The longevity of your septic system is in part due to the way you treat it.
- Many of us take our water directly from the lake so avoid the use of soaps, shampoos and other chemicals in and around the lake. These products, even if biodegradable, may contribute to the phosphorous levels in the lake.
- Avoid driving your boat over 10 km/hr within 30 metres of the shore. **It's the law!**
- If you have pets avoid letting them wander alone in wooded areas as there may be animals which could harm your dog or cat such as bears, porcupines, fishers, etc.

Outdoor Fires:

- During fire season from April 1 - Oct. 31 permits are required for outdoor burning subject to restricted size and all fires are to be supervised.
- Permits are not required for burning small fires in campfire pits or incinerators.
- In all cases supervision is required and fires should not be started during windy weather.

For further details and more fire information contact Seguin Township Fire Department at 705-732-4300.

Waste Disposal and Recycling

Please use the waste and recycling bins at the intersection of Bon Echo Rd. & Salmon Lake Rd. responsibly:

- Only household waste, no construction debris, shingles, boats, hazardous waste
- Flatten all cardboard boxes before inserting into bins
- Please **do not** dispose of any items near the bins; they are under surveillance and you may be fined!
- Bulky items should be disposed of at the Seguin Landfill Site, 39 Star Lake Rd, Orrville.
- Refer to the waste and recycling guide at www.seguin.ca

Sustainable Living Practices for Seguin Township*

The following Seguin regulations are intended to prevent extensive topographical change and to protect environmentally sensitive areas.

"You are a resident of Seguin Township"

The Shoreline Buffer:

- Must contain a minimum of 90% naturally vegetated area with no lawns.
- No clear cutting of trees and vegetation.
- Permitted minor alterations include trails, docks, water pumps and restoration.
- Trees may be trimmed and pruned to provide viewing windows.
- Dead, diseased or hazardous trees may be removed at any time.
- No landscaping that would alter the grade or topography in a manner that would increase the flow of water to neighbouring lands or adjacent lakes and streams.
- No blasting.

Buildings and Structures:

- All buildings and structures greater than 10 square metres require a building permit.
- All development must be sensitive to the preservation of tree cover and vegetation.
- All buildings and structures must be set back a minimum of 20 metres from the shoreline.
- Pump houses, gazebos and saunas are permitted in the shoreline setback but must not exceed 24 square metres.
- Docks must not occupy more than 25% or 23 metres of shoreline frontage.
- Maximum dock length is 15 metres.

* Taken from -"Living Sustainably in Seguin Township", a Seguin Township publication For more or updated information please contact: www.seguin.ca 705-732-4300 or 1-877-473-4846