## CONCORD CONSERVATION LAND REGULATIONS

Town Conservation Lands are a part of Concord's heritage. The following regulations have been established to encourage passive recreational use while maintaining these areas in a natural condition now and for future generations.

- 1. There shall be no fires, except with a written permit from the Division of Natural Resources and the Fire Department.
- 2. Activities after dark, or use by groups of 15 individuals or more at any time are expressly prohibited without written permission from the Division of Natural Resources. Such permits shall include the name and address of at least one responsible leader who will be present at all times, the total number of individuals expected, and their intended activities. Permits will be issued at the discretion of the Division of Natural Resources. Permits must be requested 14 days in advance of the event date.
- 3. Conservation Lands are open from one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.
- 4. Cars, trucks, or other motorized vehicles or tools are not permitted on Conservation Lands except as specifically authorized or for response by authorized emergency personnel. Parking shall only be in designated areas and during times when the lands are open or by permit.
- 5. No hunting, trapping, use of bow and arrow, or discharging of firearms is permitted within Conservation Lands.
- 6. Metal detecting is not permitted on Conservation Lands.
- 7. Swimming is not permitted within Conservation Lands.
- 8. Public nudity is prohibited.
- 9. No person shall cut, break, remove, deface, defile, or ill-use any building, structure, fence, or sign.
- 10. Trails shall not be marked or cut, and no structures such as dams, lean-tos, cabins, towers, or rafts shall be constructed without written permission from the Division of Natural Resources.
- 11. Without written permission from the Division of Natural Resources, no trees, shrubs, flowers, grass, or other flora shall be picked, removed, cut, defaced or otherwise damaged; nor soil disturbed; nor shall any bird or animal be willfully disturbed or endangered.
- 12. All litter, cans, refuse, bottles, and trash shall be removed from the Conservation Lands by the user unless placed in an official trash receptacle.
- 13. Dogs shall be leashed or under effective and direct voice control of its owner or keeper, and on leash at Conservation Lands that are so posted. It shall be the duty of each person who owns, possesses, or controls a dog to remove and dispose of any feces left by his or her dog on any Town Conservation Land.
- 14. Use of drugs and/or alcohol is prohibited on Conservation Lands.

The foregoing Regulations shall be prominently posted on all Conservation Lands, published periodically in the Town's newspapers, shall be available to the public, and shall be given to all individuals seeking use permits.

Violation of the foregoing Regulations shall be punishable by a fine of not more than one hundred (\$100.00) dollars.

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Natural Resources Commission, April 1974
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