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Several residents have asked that the requirements of the Lake Management Plan regarding the storage of boats and other watercraft around the lakes be more prominently displayed on the District's website for easier reference. The following summary of requirements of the Lake Management Plan has been prepared to that end.

For a complete presentation of the requirements of the District's Lake Management Plan, the reader is referred to the complete text of the ordinance at [2022 Revisions to the Lake Management Plan](#) elsewhere on this website.

Storage of Watercraft on District Property

No person shall leave unattended overnight (defined as the period from sunset to sunrise) any equipment, boat or personal property on real property owned by the District, unless expressly authorized in writing or as otherwise allowed by the District.

Any unauthorized equipment, boats or personal property left unattended overnight on District property may be immediately removed from District property by District personnel or their licensee, the Serene Lakes Property Owners Association (SLPOA).

Any personal property removed will be inventoried and stored by the District or SLPOA for a period of not less than thirty (30) days, during which time the Owner thereof or duly authorized and authenticated agent may secure the return of the removed item(s) upon presentation of satisfactory proof of ownership and payment of a reasonable removal and impound fee. After said thirty (30) day period, the District or SLPOA may dispose of the equipment, boat or personal property left on District property in violation of District ordinances.

Non-trailerred boats including canoes, kayaks, paddle boats, paddle boards, fishing and sailing boats less than 18- feet in overall length (10-feet double hull) may be stored at designated sites on District properties between May 15 and October 15 of each year.

An owner desiring to leave any vessel unattended on District property shall be required to register the vessel annually with the District or SLPOA providing the name of the owner and identifying information. The District reserves the right to restrict the number of vessels that may be registered by any one residential parcel and the total number stored on any District property. Vessel storage at District owned lake access sites shall be in accordance with the following requirements as established for each site:

- Day Use: day use storage is limited to vessels actively used during daylight hours; overnight storage is prohibited.
- Short-Term: short-term storage permits overnight storage of vessels at designated locations for a maximum of three consecutive days while the Serene Lakes property owner or renter is in residence. Day use storage is allowed at access sites where short-term storage is permitted.
- Seasonal: seasonal storage permits storage of vessels at a District designated location for the period from June 1 to October 15. Day use storage is allowed at access sites where seasonal storage is permitted.

Vessel storage on District property located lakeward of private property is limited to a maximum of two (2) vessels at any one time by the adjacent owner or renter. Vessels must be stored entirely out of the water, at least 6" off the ground and away from areas of riparian vegetation where possible. In addition, when the owner or renter is not in residence, the two (2) permitted vessels must be removed back at least twenty-five feet (25') from the lake shore edge and stored at least 6" off the ground away from areas of riparian vegetation or be removed entirely from District property if an appropriate location satisfying the foregoing requirements is not available on the lakeward District property.

The District may immediately remove any unpermitted vessel left on the District property overnight and may immediately remove any permitted vessel left on the District property during the period of October 16^t to April 30^l. The vessel's owner shall be responsible for the costs, including but not limited to the reasonable costs of District personnel and administrative costs, incurred by the District in removing, storing the vessel for a period not less than thirty (30) days and subsequently disposing of the vessel left on District property in violation of this Division.

Storage of portable personal property on District property located lakeward of private property by the adjacent owner or renter is limited to the period while the adjacent owner or renter is in residence. Personal property may not be stored or used in areas with riparian vegetation. When the adjacent owner or renter is not in residence, the personal property must be removed entirely from District property.

The District may remove and immediately discard and/or dispose of any personal property left on District property by non-adjacent property owners, when it reasonably appears that the personal property has a value of less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), including but not limited to chairs, tables, coolers, and other picnic equipment.