COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS



Town of Southwick

Lake Management Committee

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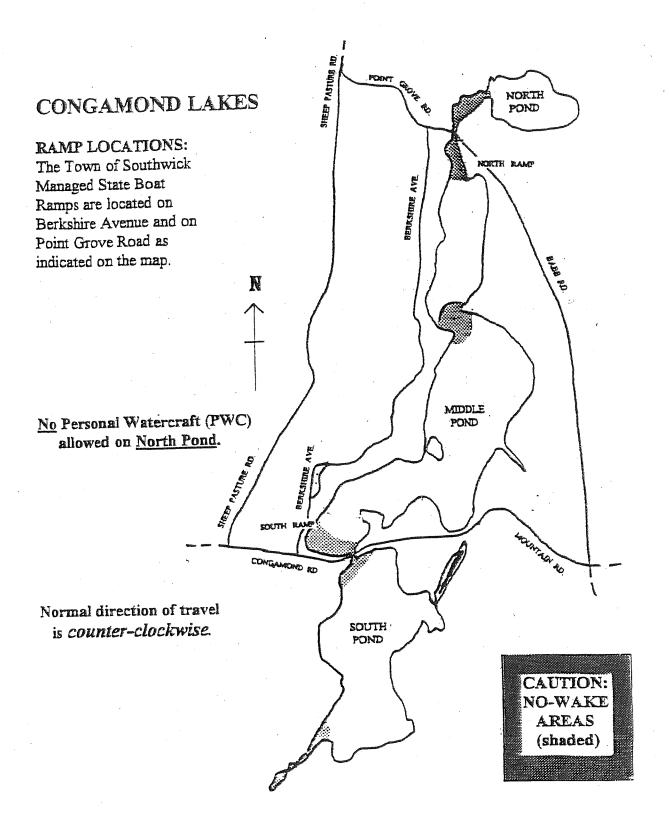
PERSONAL WATERCRAFT (PWC) Operation on Congamond Lakes

See applicable Commonwealth of Massachusetts Regulations (CMR) and Southwick Bylaws for additional detailed information. Copies are usually available at the ramp Contact Stations.

- PWC operation is prohibited in/on North Pond including any water in or north of the culvert
- PWCs are considered a class of boat, and must obey all applicable Massachusetts Boating regulations and Town Bylaws

Additional Items to Consider for PWC operation on Congamond Lakes:

- No person under 16 years of age shall operate a PWC. One may operate a PWC if: 18 years of age or older; or are between 16 and 18 years of age and have passed an approved safety course and are carrying said course certificate with them on the PWC.
- PWC operators & passengers must wear a Type I, II, III or V Coast Guard Approved floatation device *at all times*.
- No person shall operate a PWC between sunset and sunrise.
- No person shall tow a water skier, boat, any floatation device or person in any manner from a
 personal watercraft.
- No person shall operate a PWC in a negligent manner. Examples of negligent operation are:
 - o Unreasonable jumping of the wakes of another boat;
 - o Following within 150 feet of a water skier, tuber, or the like;
 - o Weaving through congested boat traffic;
 - o Crossing unreasonably close to another boat;
 - O Using the output from the PWC jet to spray any person or boat;
 - Operating a PWC in such a manner that it endangers the life, limb, or property of any person.
- No person shall remove or modify the exhaust or muffler system of a PWC or operate same.
- State launching facilities are for launching or loading of watercraft. They are <u>not</u> docking or beaching facilities during your time at/on the lakes.



LAUNCH FEE: \$5.00/BOAT
Ramp Tel: (413) 569-0513 (North) & (413) 569-0514 (South)
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Copies of regulations and lake maps are available (free) at the Ramp Contact Stations.