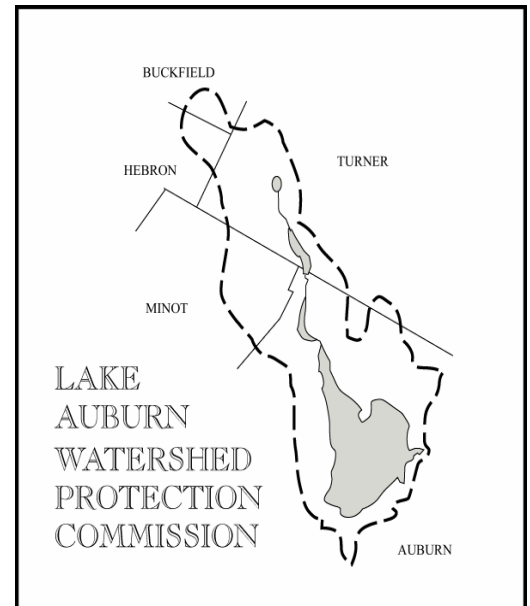


LAKE AUBURN

WATERSHED PROTECTION COMMISSION
Auburn Water District/ Lewiston Water Division
Auburn, ME 04212-0414 or Lewiston, ME 04243-7250



Hello,

Thank you for your inquiry about Lake Auburn.

The following laws and regulations pertain to Lake Auburn and its watershed:

Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Fishing Regulations for Androscoggin County:

Auburn Lake, S-18. The Auburn Water District has closed to all water related activities (including boating & fishing) that portion of Lake Auburn southerly of a line extending from a marker placed on a point of land the the east shore of the lake approximately 400 feet southerly of the Route 4 boat launch & extending westerly to a marker on a point of land known as "Point of Pines" on the west shore of the lake approximately 3,000 feet northerly of the former icehouse boat launch. That portion of Lake Auburn northerly of the above described line is also closed to all water-related activities EXCEPT that small recreational boats and fishing are allowed. Auburn Lake & tributaries closed to taking smelts. Lake, tributaries & outlet to barrier dam closed to the spearing of all fish. S-18: Minimum length of togue: 16 inches.

Auburn Lake, Closed to ice fishing. No motor vehicles on ice (ATV's & snowmobiles exempted).

You may want to get copies of the "Maine Boat Law", "A Guide to Safe Boating in Maine" and "Summary of Maine All-Terrain Vehicle Laws", L.D. 1812, An Act to Prevent Infestation of Invasive Aquatic Plants and to Control Other Invasive Species" and other information that the Department publishes. Copies may be obtained at the Augusta office.

City of Auburn Ordinance Chapter 22 – Health, Plumbing and Sanitation, Article I General, Section 1.1:

Lake Auburn, "No Person shall swim, bathe, or engage in other recreational activities on or near Lake Auburn which involve a reasonable likelihood that he will become totally or partially immersed in the Lake or in any stream emptying into the same, nor shall any person wash or clean any clothing or animal in the same, or deposit any filth, waste, or rubbish in or near the Lake".

Enclosed are the following:

1. Auburn Water District By-Laws for the Protection of Lake Auburn.
2. Sketch of the four protection level areas in the Auburn Lake and watershed.
3. Copy of the City of Auburn Zoning Ordinance 5.3 "Lake Auburn Watershed Overlay Districts".
4. Copy of the City of Auburn Zoning Ordinance 5.4 "Shoreland Overlay District".
5. Copy of the City of Auburn Zoning Ordinance 5.7 "Phosphorus Control Ordinance."

You may want to get copies of:

City of Auburn "Environmental Performance Standards", "No Firearms Discharge" areas, No Hunting – No Trapping areas (CP Wight Auburn Land Lab), and other Zoning requirements; all Auburn City Ordinances (Chapter 29) that are in effect on the Lake or within the Watershed. They are available at Auburn City Hall.

"Maine Subsurface Waste Water Disposal Rules": (plumbing code), 144CMR 241, apply to disposal systems in existence before December 17, 1983. See paragraph C-5-e of the Lake Auburn Overlay Districts enclosed. New disposal areas have to meet the current code and parts of the Lake Auburn Overlay Districts Ordinance.

"Well Drillers and Pump Installer Rules" 144A CMR 232, for wells drilled in the watershed. These may be obtained from the Division of Health Engineering at the Augusta Office.

"Superfund Amendment Reauthorization Act" (SARA) Federal and State law for chemicals used or stored in the Watershed. For more information contact the Androscoggin Emergency Management Agency in Lewiston.

Maine "Nutrient Management Act" Title 7, Chapter 747

Maine "Erosion and Sedimentation Control Law, Title 38 M.R.S.A. Sec 420-C.

Maine "Natural Resources Protection Act" for changes in Wetlands, Shorelines or in Lake Structures, Maine Department of Environmental Protection, Augusta.

There may be other laws, rules, and regulations that pertain to Lake Auburn and the watershed. Most of these documents may be obtained electronically through the internet. If we can be of further assistance, please call Normand R. Lamie, General Manager, Auburn Water District or Mary Jane Dillingham, Water Quality Manager, Auburn Water District – Lewiston Water Division at 207-784-6469.

For the Commission,

Normand R. Lamie, Clerk,
Lake Auburn Watershed Protection Commission