Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries & Parks
Bureau of Fisheries and Wildlife
P.O. Box 451
Jackson, MS 39205

PUBLIC NOTICE NO. F15a-3423

TO: The Honorable Delbert Hosemann
Secretary of State
Post Office Box 136
Jackson, MS 39205
AND
ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

The Mississippi Commission on Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks in a meeting at the Black Prairie WMA in Crawford, Mississippi on May 24, 2011 under authority of Section 25-43-7, Mississippi Code of 1972, made known its intent to adopt the following regulations relative to all state lakes owned and/or managed by the Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks in accordance with Section 49-1-29 as follows:

Be it ordered that Public Notice F 14-3423 is hereby amended and the following regulations are adopted for all State Fishing Lakes owned and/or managed by the Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks. These lakes are: Tippah County Lake, Tippah County; Lake Lamar Bruce, Lee County; Lake Monroe, Monroe County; Lake Tom Bailey, Lauderdale County; Lake Claude Bennett, Jasper County; Lake Prentiss Walker, Smith County; Simpson County Lake, Simpson County; Lake Bogue Homa, Jones County; Lake Mike Conner, Covington County; Lake Jeff Davis, Jefferson Davis County; Lake Mary Crawford, Lawrence County; Lake Walthall, Walthall County; Lake Columbia, Marion County; Oktibbeha County Lake, Oktibbeha County; Lake Perry, Perry County; Lake Bill Waller, Marion County; Neshoba County Lake, Neshoba County; Kemper County Lake, Kemper County; Elvis Presley Lake, Lee County and Calling Panther Lake, Copiah County.

(1) In addition to any required license, all persons fishing, boating, hunting, camping or using a pavilion must also have a valid lake permit.

(2) The boat operator or another person in the boat is required to purchase a combination Launching/Fishing/Skiing permit.

(3) Boat Launching/Fishing/Skiing permit is valid for fishing and boating activities such as skiing, jet skis, sailing, wind surfing, canoeing or any other type of boating.

Daily Permits

Permit Type	Permit Name	Permit Cost
06	Daily Youth Fishing (under age 16)	No charge
04	Daily Fishing (No Boat Launching; Ages 16 -64)	$5.00
13	Daily Disability/Age exempt Fishing (age 65 and older or disabled)	$3.00
09	Daily Boat Launching/Fishing/Skiing	$7.00
12	Daily Boat Launching/Fishing Disabled/Age exempt	$6.00

Persons desiring to purchase Senior Citizen permits must show proof of age.

Persons desiring to purchase Disabled permits must provide proof of 100% disability by showing one of the following:

- Railroad Disability Letter that states "100% Disability"
- Veterans Administration Letter stating the person as "100% Service Connected Disability"
- Updated Social Security Form TPQY listing the person as "Disabled Individual".

Annual Permits

Permit Type	Permit Name	Permit Cost
05	Annual Boat Launching/Fishing/Skiing	$102.00
36	Annual Guest Boat Launch/Fishing/Skiing (Ages 16 – 64) (includes all persons in boat)	$150.00
14	Annual Exempt Launch/Fish	$72.00
37	Annual Guest Disabled/Age Exempt Launch/Fishing/Skiing (includes all persons in boat)	$120.00
27	Annual Bank/Pier Fishing (No Boat Launching; Ages 16 - 64)	$52.00
19	Disabled/Age Exempt Annual Fishing (No Boat Launching)	$32.00
23	Duplicate copy of Annual or Lifetime Permit	$7.29

All annual permits shall be honored for fishing and boat launching on all State Fishing and State Park Lakes owned and operated by the Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks. All annual permits will expire one year from date of purchase. There are no honor box sales for these permits.

Pleasure boating and water skiing are authorized from noon to sunset on the following lakes only on the designated days in the designated areas:

Kemper County Lake	Everyday
Lake Bogue Homa	Everyday
Lake Claude Bennett	Wednesday & Sunday
Lake Columbia	Wednesday & Sunday
Lake Jeff Davis	Closed
Lake Lamar Bruce	Closed
Lake Mary Crawford	Sunday only
Lake Mike Connor	Wednesday & Sunday
Lake Perry	Friday & Sunday
Lake Prentiss Walker	Friday & Sunday
Lake Tom Bailey	Sunday only
Oktibbeha County Lake	Everyday
Simpson County Lake	Thursday & Sunday
Tippah County Lake	Saturday & Sunday
Elvis Presley Lake	Everyday
Calling Panther Lake	Wednesday & Sunday

Camping, Pavilion, Cabin, and Building Rental Permits

Permit Type	Permit Name	Permit Cost
08	Daily Camping (24 hour period) *	$18.00
25	Disabled/Senior Citizen Camping (1 day; age 65 & older)*	$13.00
28	Camping - 30 day*	$360.00
29	Monthly Disabled/Senior Citizen Camping (30 day; age 65 & older)*	$270.00
26	Primitive / tent camping (1 day, no electricity)	$13.00
24	Pavilion with restrooms (1 day)	$51.00
10	Pavilion without restrooms (1 day)	$36.00
32	Multi-Purpose Building Rental Oktibbeha Co. Lake without use of kitchen (1 day)	$150.00
33	Multi-Purpose Building Rental Oktibbeha Co. Lake Including use of kitchen (1 day)	$200.00
30	Cabins without Linens (week day rate)	$65.00
31	Cabins without Linens (weekend rate)	$75.00

*RV Camping rate includes fishing and boat launch (registered campers not to exceed 8 people)

Camping Rules

(4) Camping shall be confined to the designated campground or designated overflow areas. No more than one camping unit will be allowed on a camp pad without the State Lake Manager's approval.

(5) Camper storage is not allowed at State Fishing Lakes. Camping reservations are not available at State Fishing Lakes. Reduced daily or weekly rates are not available at State Fishing Lakes. No campsite can be retained without a camping unit (camper or erected tent) placed on the site. All camping fees must be paid in advance and are non-refundable and non-transferable. A campsite must be occupied the moment a site is rented.

(6) No permanent use of a rentable facility for residence purposes is allowed. "Homesteading" or otherwise using a campground for a sole place of residence is prohibited. The act of Homesteading includes but is not limited to: erecting permanent or semi permanent structures. Cluttering a rented site with garbage, storage containers, boxes, buckets, or other objects is prohibited. T he use of appliances such as washers, dryers, refrigerators, or freezers outside of the camper; or parking trailers or extra vehicles is prohibited.

(7) A monthly camping rate is available. Monthly camping is restricted to designated sites. Ninety (90) days is the maximum allowable stay on a campsite. After 90 days, a camper must leave the campground for 14 days before returning. An extension may be granted with approval by the Executive Director or his designee. Extensions will only be approved in ninety (90) day increments.

(8) Check-out time is 2:00 P.M.; check-in time is 4:00 P.M.

(9) Campgrounds and camp areas are restricted for registered campers and guests only. Guests shall leave the area prior to 10:00 P.M. Camping pads will not be rented to any person under 21 years of age or anyone under the age of 21 allowed to camp without an adult 21 years or older present. Campers, tents, vehicles, children and pets shall not be left unattended.

Boating Rules

(10) Boats and jet skis must be operated at idle speed which is any speed that does not produce a wake except during skiing periods in designated ski areas. On Kemper County Lake, the idle speed only regulation does not apply to fishing boats.

(11) No aqua-aircraft shall land on any State Fishing Lake without written permission from the Executive Director.

(12) While operating a pleasure boat on State Fishing Lakes, boats shall operate in a counter clockwise manner.

(13) While operating a ski boat on State Fishing Lakes, only one person, skier or tuber per boat will be permitted to be pulled. Tube kites are prohibited.

(14) Swimming and wading are prohibited on State Fishing Lakes except in designated ski areas while skiing or jet skiing.

Fishing Rules

(15) Only rod and reel or pole fishing is allowed on State Fishing Lakes except that carp, gar, buffalo, and bowfin may be taken by use of bow and arrow at night only after purchasing a valid permit for fishing and/or boating. No other gear is allowed at these lakes.

(16) There shall be a FREE FISHING weekend on all State Fishing and State Park Lakes. These days will be set on the 1st weekend of National Fishing and Boating Week in June. No state fishing license or lake fishing permits will be required for fishing on these days.

(17) Creel limit on catfish will be 10 per day in all State Fishing Lakes. Catfish limits during fishing rodeos at state lakes may be different.

(18) Fishing is not allowed from courtesy piers adjacent to boat ramps. Night fishing is allowed at all State Fishing Lakes from the bank or boats which are in compliance with state and coast guard regulations with the exception of Lake Bill Waller.

Other Rules

(19) Persons who possess a dog or other pet must restrain it on an adequate leash not more than six feet long. Persons allowing animals to disturb other guests will be removed from the lake property. No livestock or other animals, other than horses on designated bridle paths or trails, will be allowed on State Parks or State Lakes except with written permission of the Executive Director of the Mississippi Dept. of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks or his designee.

(20) Motorized vehicles shall be allowed only in designated areas.

(21) No one shall be permitted on lake property between one hour past sunset and one hour before sunrise without a valid permit.

(22) No firearms are permitted at any time on lake property except shotguns on Lake Bogue Homa and Neshoba County Lake during statewide waterfowl seasons (see Federal Regulations).

(23) Waterfowl hunters on Lake Bogue Homa, and Neshoba County Lake must have either a daily boat launching/fishing/skiing permit or an annual boat launching/fishing/skiing permit.

(24) Possession of alcohol on state lakes is prohibited.

(25) Be it ordered that Lake Jeff Davis shall be closed to fishing and all activities as scheduled by the Bureau of Fisheries. Appropriate signage shall be placed at all access points on lake property informing the public of the closure.

(26) Be it ordered that Lake Lamar Bruce shall be closed to fishing and all activities as scheduled by the Bureau of Fisheries. Appropriate signage shall be placed at all access points on lake property informing the public of the closure.

(27) Reservations for the Lt. Governor Amy Tuck Multi-Purpose Building at Oktibbeha Co. Lake will be made through the Lake Office. All fees must be paid in advance and are non-refundable and non-transferable.

Cabin Rules

(28) Reservations for cabins will be made through the Lake Office. All fees must be paid in advance and are non-refundable and non-transferable.

(29) Minimum length of stay from May 15th through September 15th is 3 nights on the weekends, holidays and special events and no minimum during the week (weekend is a Friday and Saturday night stay).

(30) Minimum length of stay from September 16th through May 14th is 3 nights on the holidays and special events, 2 nights on the weekends and no minimum during the week (Weekend is a Friday and Saturday night stay).

(31) Cabin stay includes fishing, boat launch and skiing. These activities are limited to the registered number of guests per unit. Visitors of the guests must pay for all activities.

(32) Units will not be rented to persons under the age of 21, and children will not be left unattended overnight.

(33) Check-in time is 3:00 P.M. Check-out time is 11:00 A.M. All fees are payable in advance. Guests arriving after 5:00 P.M. must make prior arrangements with the lake office.

(34) Unit guests will be responsible for damages to all units and equipment. No furniture or equipment shall be moved from one unit to another.

(35) Certain cabins at state fishing lakes will be held for official state business for the Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks Commission, Executive Staff, elected officials, and other state employees in the performance of their duties for the State of Mississippi and the Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks. The use of these facilities for official state business will require prior approval from the Executive Director of the Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks.

(36) Pets are forbidden in and around the cabin areas.

This adopted public notice will become effective June 26th, 2011. Witness my hand and seal this the 24th day of May, 2011.

MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON WILDLIFE, FISHERIES AND PARKS

BY: Charles Rigdon
Charles Rigdon, Chairman

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, FISHERIES AND PARKS

BY: Sam Polles
Sam Polles, Ph.D., Executive Director

SALLY L. SUTHERLAND NOTARY PUBLIC Expires May 31, 2011 RANKIN COUNTY, MS

Sally L. Sutherland
(Notary) (seal)