NON-POWER BOATING
RULES AND REGULATIONS
FRANK G. BONELLI PARK-PUDDINGSTONE LAKE

1. It is the owner/operator's responsibility to obtain a launch permit prior to launch. All non-power boats must be inspected and issued a permit. Launch permits for non-powered boats are only available at the Via Verde entrance gates. Boats which can be carried by hand can be launched along any shoreline except from the dams, swim beach, north shore or the R.V. park beach. During the slow winter months non-powered boats may have to purchase a launch permit at the Park Headquarters and then proceed to Sailboat Cove to launch.

2. All Non-power boats must be at least 8 feet in length. The only exception is in the “special use area” designated for float tubes (see 5.3 below). Sailboats, and rafts powered by electric motors, must have a current State registration. i.e., Certificate of number, current Registration sticker, and CF numbers displayed in accordance with California Boating Law. Exceptions to these requirements are made for float tubes, sailboards, and sabots 7’11” in length.

3. A U.S. Coast Guard approved life preserver (P.F.D.) must be carried and readily accessible for each person onboard. The personal floatation device (P.F.D.) must be in good condition and of a suitable size for the intended wearer. The P.F.D. must be a type I,II or III wearable style. The type IV or cushion style P.F.D. is no longer suitable as the sole P.F.D. on boats (Federal Law). Children under the age of 13 must wear a type I,II, or III, while on board a vessel.

4. Non-power boats are not allowed in the SPEED ZONE after 10:00 AM. This is a fast boating area (minimum 20 M.P.H.). Non-power boats are not allowed to traverse across the SPEED ZONE or cross the north shore beach area to go to and from the N/E end or inflow area.

5. FLOAT TUBES
5.1 All float tubes require launch permits which must be carried onboard while out on the water.
5.2 A U.S. Coast Guard approved life preserver is required for All float tubes.
5.3 Float tubes are limited to the sailboat cove and the buoyed area westward.
5.4 Whistles or other sound signaling devices, while not required are strongly recommended.
5.5 All applicable CA Fish & Game regulations will be enforced.

6. Boats, rafts, float tubes, etc., are not allowed in the swim area or within 20 yards of the swim area buoy line.

7. Sailboards (windsurfers) are exempt from P.F.D. regulations and may be allowed to sail during heavy winds when the lake is otherwise closed to boating. Check with the Lifeguards.