

## 2017 Pond Use Policy

It has been brought to our attention that people from outside Arbor Chase are fishing in our ponds. This is not the first time, nor will it be the last. However, some of these interlopers are taking the fish they catch. Worst yet, they are cleaning the fish at pond-side and leaving the remains on the banks. Everyone should be aware, that we have a strict catch & release policy.

Leaving the fish-cleaning remains in the open attracts every critter from vultures to skunks, which is, in itself, not healthy. Plus, since our ponds are fed by runoff from the lawns, there is a possibility that eating the fish is also not healthy.<sup>1</sup>

To refresh your memory please note the following rules:

- Our ponds are only for the residents of Arbor Chase and their guests.<sup>2</sup>
- All guests must be accompanied at all times by their hosts.
- Swimming, boating and water activities, other than fishing, are not allowed.
- All fish must be released.

There are no exceptions to these rules.

Everyone living on a pond should be very vigilant and confront any stranger using our ponds. If they do not live in Arbor Chase, tell them to leave. If they do not, you can report them as a trespasser to the West Lafayette Police or you can call a member of the Board of Directors.

In an effort to maintain the privacy of our neighbors living on the ponds, it should be noted that anyone wishing to utilize the ponds should avoid walking through the yards. Additionally, those using the pond areas should stay completely within the common areas, which are generally a designated grassy area between the property lines and the water's edge. Official access points and common area are provided as follows:

- East Pond – Access is in an unmarked pathway between 3570 Westmoreland and 3586 Westmoreland. The large common area is only about 50 feet wide on the north side.
- Village Pond – Access is from the dead end of Cardigan Lane. The common area is about 20 feet wide around the pond. (Note: The dead end is a No Parking zone.)
- West Pond, North End – Access is from a paved path between 3455 Brixford and 3461 Brixford, and a paved path between 3657 Westmoreland and 3673 Westmoreland. In addition to the pavilion, the common area is about 10 feet wide at the north end and about 20 feet along the east and west banks.
- West Pond, South End – Access from Kalberer, between Wakefield and the spillway. The large common area is between Kalberer and the water's edge.

Thank you.

Arbor Chase Board of Directors

<sup>1</sup> The runoff in the Village area contains chemicals used in weed control, fertilizer and insect/grub control. In other areas of Arbor Chase, the runoff may contain other, more hazardous chemicals.

<sup>2</sup> Employees of contractors doing work in Arbor Chase **DO NOT** have pond privileges. More specific, pond privileges are never extended to anyone living outside of Arbor Chase.