

NOTICE OF PROPOSED REGULATION AMENDMENT

Date: September 27, 2017

REGULATION TITLE:
Boating on University Lakes

REGULATION NO.:
UCF-4.030

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED REGULATION AMENDMENT: This regulation is amended to expand from the original focus on boating to include all water activities on campus. The name of the regulation is being amended to Campus Water Activities. As amended, this regulation will operate alongside existing university policies related to fishing, use of Lake Claire, and the UCF Reflecting Pond.

AUTHORITY: BOG Regulation 1.001

NAME OF PERSONS WHO INITIATED PROPOSED REGULATION AMENDMENT:
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COMMENTS CONCERNING THE PROPOSED REGULATION AMENDMENT SHOULD BE SUBMITTED WITHIN 14 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE TO THE CONTACT PERSON IDENTIFIED BELOW. The comments must identify the regulation you are commenting on.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED REGULATION AMENDMENT IS:

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FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED REGULATION AMENDMENT:

UCF-4.030 ~~Boating on University Lakes.~~ Campus Water Activities

~~Lakes on the University campus are considered natural elements contributing to the beauty of the campus and its surroundings. To maintain the lakes in the most natural state possible and to protect the wildlife, fish, and shorelines, as well as the lives of persons swimming or otherwise enjoying the lake, boats using motors will not be permitted on University campus lakes. Boats~~

~~using human energy or other non-mechanical propulsion devices shall be permitted. The exception to the use of motor powered boats shall be those maintained by campus law enforcement for rescue purposes, by Landscape and Natural Resources for aquatic maintenance, and by others for research purposes as approved in advance and regulated by Facilities and Safety.~~

(1) To ensure a safe and healthy environment for the university community and campus visitors, water activities such as swimming, diving, wading, floating, fishing, and boating are not permitted in campus lakes, retention ponds, streams, wetlands, or water features (including the Reflecting Pond). This regulation applies to individuals and accompanying animals.

(2) The university discourages activities on natural shorelines or in water bodies, as these areas may be inhabited by alligators, snakes, snapping turtles, or other wildlife.

(3) Water bodies and natural shorelines shall not be contaminated with materials such as litter, floating objects, glitter, confetti, or soap.

(4) Exceptions. The following functions or activities are exceptions to the restrictions and prohibitions of this Regulation.

(a) Emergency response by law enforcement.

(b) Scheduled or unscheduled aquatic maintenance activities by university staff or contractors.

c) Official activities pre-approved by the University through the SAFE form process (see University Regulation UCF-4.0292), such as Homecoming Spirit Splash, fishing tournaments, and academic coursework- or research-related events.

(d) Pond research conducted by the Biology Department.

(e) Boating on Lake Claire using non-motorized boat rentals (available on site).

Personal non-motorized watercraft will not be permitted. For purposes of this regulation, “non-motorized watercraft” includes but is not limited to canoes, rowboats, kayaks, and paddleboards.

(f) Graduation or photographs taken at the Reflecting Pond.

(g) Use of the Lake Claire beach area and dock, subject to posted restrictions and the requirements of applicable University regulations and policies.

(5) Any student who violates this regulation is subject to referral to the Office of Student Conduct for possible disciplinary action under the student rules of conduct. Any university employee who violates this regulation is subject to disciplinary action. Those who are not students or employees of the University who are found to be in violation of this regulation may be asked to leave campus and may be subject to arrest for criminal trespassing.

Authority: BOG Regulation 1.001. History–New 10-8-75, Formerly 6C7-4.30; Formerly 6C7-4.030, Amended 4-22-09, _____-17.