

## NEWTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

### RULES & REGULATIONS FOR ALL CONSERVATION AREAS

Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 8C, as amended, the following rules and regulations governing the use of all land and waters under the control of the Conservation Commission of the City of Newton have been adopted.

These regulations apply to all Conservation Areas in the City of Newton.

1. All persons and dogs on leash are welcome in the Conservation Areas from dawn to dusk.
2. The Conservation Commission manages the Conservation Areas for the benefit of visitors and the wildlife habitat. The Commission may authorize trails work and other improvements to the Conservation Areas. We welcome suggestions and volunteer labor. Please contact us at 617-796-1120.
3. Visitors to the Conservation Areas are urged to take photographs and enjoy the surroundings, leave the Areas cleaner than they found them and to report violations of these rules to the Conservation Commission at 617-796-1120.
4. The Conservation Commission does not patrol this land and cannot assume liability for injuries, damage to property or other losses to persons going into the Areas.
5. **PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES:** Unleashed dogs, dumping, hunting, possession or use of weapons, camping and fires, vehicles, bicycles, horses and ponies, cutting and/or removal of vegetation. No land or water alteration or spraying shall be done in the Areas by the East Middlesex Mosquito Control Project, or by any like agency without permission by vote of the Conservation Commission.

Violations shall be reported directly to the Conservation Commission at 617-796-1120, the Fire Department (617-796-2210) or Police Department (617-796-2100). Emergencies may be reported by calling 911.

Violations of these regulations shall be punishable by fines not less than \$5.00, nor more than \$25.00, for a first offense; not less than \$10.00 nor more than \$50.00 for a second offense; not less than \$15.00 nor more than \$100.00 for a third offense or a subsequent offense. Dumping violations shall be punished in accordance with the provisions of General laws, Chapter 270, Section 16, as may be amended from time to time.

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Newton Conservation Commission

