Lake Hennessey
Boating Regulations

For the purpose of permitting the public to enjoy the sport of boating on the property of the City of Napa Municipal Water System at Lake Hennessey during the open season, boating permit fees of $25.00 per boat per year, or $4.00 per boat per one day, have been established. In order to extend the privilege to all upon a fair and equitable basis, and at the same time to ensure the safety of City property and the strict observance of rules of civil conduct, the right to visit and boat will be granted in accordance with the following regulations:

1. No trespassing allowed, except upon written permit.
2. Boating permits must be shown to City personnel or authorized agents upon demand.
3. Automobiles or other vehicles must be parked at places designated as parking areas.
4. Launching and retrieving water craft at boat launch ramp only per posted hours.
5. Hunting or carrying firearms on premises is strictly forbidden.
6. Picking of ferns, shrubs, or berries; defacing trees; or wood-collecting is forbidden.
7. NO FIRES ALLOWED (including barbecues and gas stoves).
8. No camping.
9. Valid California-licensed water craft only. No motor over 10 horsepower is allowed. Any other drive unit on the boat must remain out of the water at all times.
10. No stand up paddle boards or float tubes.
11. Lake hours are:
   March 1 - May 31: 6 AM - 7 PM  
   June 1 - Labor Day: 6 AM - 8 PM  
   Labor Day - February 28: 7 AM - 5 PM  
12. The Seasonal Boating Permit must be displayed on the dashboard or mirror of your vehicle so that it is visible at all times while boating on the lake.

In view of the fact that Lake Hennessey is a domestic water supply, the following rules pertaining to sanitation must be rigidly observed:

1. Pollution of the lake is strictly prohibited. No person shall commit any act tending to cause pollution within 500 feet of lake or the streams feeding lake.
2. Toilets and garbage cans have been provided for your convenience and must be used.
3. No swimming, washing, or body contact in the lake or streams.
4. No fish shall be cleaned in or near the lake.
5. No picnicking allowed, except in designated areas.
6. No fishing or trespassing in restricted area located in the southwest corner of the lake by the dam or other posted areas.
7. Dogs must be on leash when not in the boat, and must be kept 25 feet from the lake or streams - no dogs in the lake or streams.

In addition to the above regulations, City personnel or authorized agents shall issue instructions as they may find necessary to fully protect the interest of the City.

Any violation of these regulations may result in cancellation of this permit and suspension of lake use for the remainder of the season.