Beach Control Ordinance

WHEREAS the inhabitants of the town of Otisfield desire to sponsor and operate two beaches in the town, one on Saturday Pond, the other on Pleasant lake for the sole use and pleasure of property owners of the Town of Otisfield and their bona fide guests and

WHEREAS past usage of the beaches by some persons has resulted in certain disruptive actions causing safety hazards, property damage and discomfort to the townspeople and thereby lessening the pleasure of the use of these faculties,

NOW THEREFORE the following ordinance is passed in the interest of promoting the safety and health of the users of the facilities and providing for the general welfare and well being of the taxpayers of the town and their guests.

- 1. Only persons owning real estate in the town of Otisfield and their bona fide guests and renters of dwellings in Otisfield and their bona fide guests, are authorized to utilize the beaches or their facilities.
- 2. The beaches are open from dawn until 10:00 PM daily.
- 3. Alcoholic beverages, controlled substances and glass containers are prohibited on the beach and the surrounding town property.
- 4. The beaches are not available for reservation except for town sponsored activities such as the annual swimming program. When reserved by the Town, only that minimal portion essential to the program or activity will be utilized and the remainder of the facility will be open to use by all other authorized persons.
- 5. No uncontained fires are permitted on the beaches or adjoining land. Hibachi-type containers may be used for cooking. Fires must be completely extinguished, being sure to prevent hot coals from endangering barefooted guests.
- 6. No animals, leashed or otherwise, are permitted on the beach, except those trained to aid handicapped persons.
- 7. All trash, including food wastes, disposable diapers, cigarette butts, containers and wrappings are to be taken off the town Beach premises and disposed of properly by a person's own means.
- 8. No motor vehicles of any kinds are permitted on the beach *except for emergency and maintenance vehicles*.
- 9. Only those vehicles identified w/ an official sticker issued by the town of Otisfield, will be permitted to park in the beach parking area or in the town-owned parking lot just off the road. No overnight parking in the lower parking lot will be permitted. *Vehicles parked in no parking areas and* unauthorized vehicles may be towed at owner's expense and held until all charges have been paid. (Camp owners' parking in private parking lot only).
- 10. Smoking will be prohibited from the beach area.

TRASH IN - TRASH OUT