

LEGAL NOTICE
STATE OF OHIO, DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO AMEND
AND HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES FOR THE DIVISIONS OF
CANAL AND CANAL RESERVOIR WATERS, WATER ADVISORY COUNCIL, NATURAL AREAS
AND PRESERVES, RECREATIONAL VEHICLES, STATE PARKS & WATERCRAFT, WATERCRAFT
AND WATERWAYS

The Ohio Department of Natural Resources, in accordance with sections 119.03, 1501.01, 1517.02, 1520.03, 1521.031, 1546.04, 4519.42 of the Ohio Revised Code, hereby gives notice of intention to adopt, amend, or rescind the following rules:

Canal and Canal Reservoir Waters:

- 1501-7-01 Definition of terms.
- 1501-7-02 Severability.
- 1501-7-03 General provisions.
- 1501-7-04 Classes of water use.
- 1501-7-05 Lease and sale agreements.
- 1501-7-06 Emergency water use.
- 1501-7-07 Actions of the director.

Water Advisory Council:

- 1501:1-33-01 Ohio water advisory council.
- 1501:1-33-02 Notice of public meetings (sunshine rule).
- 1501:1-33-03 Minutes.

Natural Areas and Preserves:

- 1501:17-3-02 Preservation of property; exceptions.
- 1501:17-3-03 Introduction of plants and animals and feeding of wildlife prohibited.
- 1501:17-3-05 Firearms and fireworks prohibited; exceptions.
- 1501:17-11-03 Aviation.

Recreational Vehicles:

- 1501:20-1-01 Notice of public hearing to adopt, amend, or rescind rules.
- 1501:20-1-02 Exceptions.
- 1501:20-1-03 Definitions.
- 1501:20-1-05 General provisions, posted orders.

- 1501:20-3-01 Lands upon which snowmobile, all-purpose vehicles are prohibited: exceptions.
- 1501:20-3-02 Ground cover requirements.
- 1501:20-5-01 Operating on frozen lakes.
- 1501:20-5-02 Minimum ice requirements.
- 1501:20-7-01 Hours of operation: exceptions.
- 1501:20-7-02 Removal of signs.
- 1501:20-7-03 Property damage.
- 1501:20-7-04 Alcohol, drugs, prohibited.
- 1501:20-7-05 Firearms restricted.
- 1501:20-7-06 Motor vehicles prohibited.

Division of Parks and Watercraft:

- 1501:46-1-01 Notice of public hearing on rules.
- 1501:46-2-03 Heavy equipment fees.
- 1501:46-2-04 Private channel fee.
- 1501:46-2-20 "Golden Buckeye Card" fees.
- 1501:46-2-27 Duck blind permit fees.
- 1501:46-2-31 Lake Milton and Buckeye lake state parks permit fee.
- 1501:46-2-34 Getaway rental fees.
- 1501:46-2-39 Special interpretive program fees.
- 1501:46-2-40 Disabled veterans and former prisoner of war free camping requirements.
- 1501:46-2-41 Private breakwater license fee.
- 1501:46-3-07 Animals in cabin, lodge, golf courses, beach, and camp, facilities prohibited, exceptions.

- 1501:46-3-10 Removal of plants and other natural materials.
- 1501:46-3-11 Geological features.
- 1501:46-3-13 Littering, importing of rubbish and trash prohibited.
- 1501:46-3-18 Collection of firewood, use of chainsaws.
- 1501:46-3-22 Intoxicating beverages.
- 1501:46-3-27 Collecting prohibited without permit.
- 1501:46-3-30 Off-trail use prohibited.
- 1501:46-3-33 Feeding of wildlife.
- 1501:46-3-34 Dog exercise areas.
- 1501:46-9-03 Camping administration.
- 1501:46-13-13 Riding in boat and boat trailer prohibited on park roads.
- 1501:46-15-05 Public hunting areas.
- 1501:46-15-14 Field trials, permit required.

Division of Watercraft and Waterways:

- 1501:47-5-01 Exceptions.
- 1501:47-5-02 Anchoring, docking, mooring, beaching watercraft on wildlife areas.
- 1501:47-5-03 Use of outboard motors and power boats on wildlife areas.
- 1501:47-5-04 Regulations prescribed for the use of watercraft on Berlin reservoir, situated in the counties of Mahoning, Portage and Stark.
- 1501:47-7-02 Brown county.
- 1501:47-7-19 Lake Roaming Rock, Ashtabula county.
- 1501:47-9-10 Use of airborne devices prohibited.

SUMMARY:

- Administrative rules in chapter 1501:7 are being amended to update the transition of program management from the division of water to the division of parks and watercraft.
- Administrative rules in chapter 1501:1-33 are being rescinded because they are obsolete.
- Administrative rule 1501:17-11-03 is being adopted to reinstate regulations for the operation of model aircraft and drones in natural areas and nature preserves.
- Administrative rule 1501:20-7-05 is being adopted to simplify the language related to the operation of snowmobiles and all purpose vehicles on trails designated for their use.
- Administrative rules 1501:20-1-02, 1501:20-3-01, 1501:20-3-02, 1501:20-5-01, 1501:20-5-02, 1501:20-7-01, 1501:20-7-02, 1501:20-7-03, 1501:20-7-04, 1501:20-7-05, 1501:20-7-06 are being rescinded because they are redundant.
- All other rules are being amended, or rescinded and replaced, for the purpose of revising terminology to comply with recently enacted changes to the Ohio Revised Code. These terminology changes do not substantially change the operation of the rules.

A public hearing on the proposed rule amendments will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 14, 2024 in the A-2 conference room at ODNR Headquarters which is located at 2045 Morse Road in Columbus, Ohio. Any person affected by the proposed rule changes may present their comments by attending the public hearing or may email comments for inclusion in the hearing record to deborah.green@dnr.ohio.gov.

Electronic copies of the proposed rules are available at the Ohio Legislative Service Commission's internet web site at: <http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us/>. Hard copies of the proposed rules are available through the Ohio Department of Natural Resources at 2045 Morse Road, Columbus, Ohio 43229. For additional information, contact the Ohio Department of Natural Resources at (614) 265-6500 or ohiostateparks@dnr.ohio.gov.