

GUIDELINES FOR BIRCH ISLAND GUESTS

We appreciate that many Association members may wish to share their Birch Island Cottages with friends and family while they are away or, rent out their cottages for extra income. To make this a pleasant and worry-free experience both for themselves and their fellow islanders, we have few recommendations:

- 1 Please ensure that whomever rents or borrows your Island cottage is familiar with boat operation, can navigate to the island and surrounding waterways and has a decent understanding of boating safety rules (e.g. the right of way when approaching another boat, slowing down to 10 km or less within 30m / 100 ft of the shore, etc). Though the staff at Sand Lake Marine are happy to provide general assistance they are not available to provide boating lessons or, taxi services to and from the island. Please also remind your guests to carry a boating license to avoid fines and other possible inconveniences.
- 2 We collectively use the marina property and our actions can impact folks living in the surrounding private property. Please remind your guests to avoid excessive noise during early or late arrivals or departures, respect the posted speed limits on Hughs Road, and pick up after their pets.
- 3 Please remind your guests that there is no garbage disposal facility on the Island or at the marina parking lot. Ideally, garbage should be taken home and disposed there. There is very limited pick up if garbage has been placed in clear bags, are properly tagged and placed in designated areas and at designated times.
- 4 Please encourage your tenants to be good cottage neighbours – go slow near the shore, respect the property lines, and be reasonable with noise levels and responsible with fire.
- 5 If your guest chooses to bring their own boat, it can be parked at your appointed dock space. However, your boat will need to be trailered for the period of their stay. Unless explicit arrangements have been made with Sand Lake Marine, please do not park your boat or your guest's boat at the gas dock or at any other dock on the marine property.
- 6 Please note that your arrangement with Sand Lake Marine allows for one parking space only. If you or your guests require additional parking, please speak with Sand Lake marine about the rates for parking additional cars.

Thank you for your attention to the above. We hope your guests have an enjoyable and relaxing time on our Island.

BIRPOA Executive.