

**DISTRICT OF LAKELAND NO. 521
DOCK & BOAT POLICY**

These policies will relate to Emma and Christopher Lakes only with the exception of the Recreation area at Murray Point. The Murray Point, Anglin Lake and McPhee Lake recreation sites' shorelines, all of which fall under Provincial jurisdiction.

DEFINITIONS

Shared Dock – a multi-person dock in front of a lakefront property owned by one of the applicants

Community Dock – a single or multi-person dock on public reserve

GENERAL POLICY

Change in ownership: A license fee and new application will be required when a change of ownership through the sale/transfer of property if facilitated.

Materials used for docks must not affect the health of the lake.

- Use of steel sheeting, crib docks, concrete, or other skirting that interferes with waterflow/circulation is prohibited.
- Acceptable construction material includes aluminum, composite lumber untreated wood, and wood that has been preserved with a non-harmful substance like insoluble copper.
- Prohibited construction materials include creosote, pentachloro-phenol (PCP), wood treated with arsenic or other harmful preservatives, and any type of wood stain or shellac.

Shared and Community dock agreements are private agreements between the property owners and are not enforced by the municipality. The municipality must be informed of changes to a private agreement so it can be reflected on file. Each shared and community dock must give the municipality the name and phone number of a representative available to be contacted in the following circumstances:

- For shared docks and community docks, when a change in ownership occurs and the District has received no notice of the change in private dock agreement.
- For community docks only, when ratepayers from the subdivision show interest in making application for a community dock on the same public reserve.

- Community docks with five or more boat lifts or PWC lifts will need to direct their request for expansion to Council. Request to change the configuration or reduce the number of lifts is not required to go to Council.

SHARED DOCKS

A multi-person application can be made between a lakefront property owner and backrow owners, or between multiple lakefront property owners.

- Each applicant must be a ratepayer within the municipality.
- The 5-meter restriction from the property line is waived if the application is made between two or more lakefront property owners that are adjacent to each other.
- The number of boat lifts and personal watercraft lifts is restricted by the number of lakefront property holders involved and geographical limitations (a maximum of two boat lifts and two PWC lifts for each lakefront property).
- An applicant cannot be part of a shared dock while also maintaining a dock application on their own lot or with another shared or community dock.

USE OF PUBLIC RESERVES – COMMUNITY DOCKS

Public Reserve space may be provided to back lot property owners/lessees who wish to build shared, multi-person docks. Space for docks will be allocated on Public Reserves as identified by the District Council when available to back lot property owners in their respective subdivisions.

Docks will not be less than 5 meters from an adjoining property

Docks are to be a minimum of 10 meters from other docks

Where the number of applications exceeds the number of docks permitted on any Public Reserve, the allocation of dock space will be granted to back lot residents of that subdivision only utilizing a “draw” system with the following parameters:

- Dock applications that have multi-property ownership status will be given preferred status in the draw.
- Applicants will be limited to owning or sharing ownership on one dock only and be limited to one boat lift or boat or personal watercraft.

Community dock permits will be reviewed on an annual basis. Docks that maintain multi-property ownership and meet construction requirements of the District of Lakeland No. 521 should expect to see their permits extended.