



RECREATION REGULATIONS FISHING AND FISHING SHELTERS

§ 92.001 REGISTRATION OF SHELTER.

No person shall use a portable fishing shelter in fishing through the frozen surface water of Bangs Lake unless the fishing shelter, as hereinafter defined, is registered and posted as set forth hereinafter.

(1978 Code, § 8-9-1) (Ord. 78-O-39, passed 12-19-1978)

§ 92.002 DEFINITION; SPECIFICATION.

(A) *Definition.* A **PORTABLE FISHING SHELTER**, commonly referred to as a **FISHING SHANTY** shall be construed to include any shelter constructed of a framework of metal or wood covered with canvas, paper, plastic material or any similar fabric which is used or placed upon the ice or frozen waters of the village for the purpose of being used while ice fishing.

(B) *Specification.* All portable fishing shelters or shanties must be properly secured to the ice or frozen waters by means of an industry standard "screw anchor" so as to prevent the shanty from being blown from its location by seasonal winds. The screw anchor must be driven into the ice or frozen water and attached to the ice shanty by tether sufficient to secure the shanty to the ice or frozen water. An example of an industry standard screw anchor is provided below:

(1978 Code, § 8-9-2) (Ord. 78-O-39, passed 12-19-1978; Am. Ord. 2011-O-71, passed 12-6-2011)

§ 92.003 REGISTRATION AND NUMBER OF OWNER.

(A) All persons intending to use portable fishing shelters shall register their name and address with the Wauconda Police Department and file an application for a fishing shelter registration number prior to construction or erection of any shelter upon the surface of Bangs Lake or any frozen water located wholly or partly within the village limits. It is unlawful for any person to construct, erect, occupy or use a portable fishing shelter upon the surface of Bangs Lake or any frozen water located wholly or partly within the village limits with having first obtained a fishing shelter registration number from the Wauconda Police Department.

(B) The applicant shall pay a \$45.00 application fee for a seasonal permanent fishing shelter and a \$25.00 application fee for a 24-hour Seasonal Temporary fishing shelter at the time of application. (Seasonal Permanent Fishing Shelter is defined as a shelter erected with the intention of having said shelter remain in place for the duration of the ice fishing season.) A 24-hour Seasonal Temporary Shelter is defined as a Shelter erected for use for a period not-to-exceed 24 hours and is removed after each use. 24-Hour Seasonal Temporary Shelters may be erected as desired but must not be left unattended or for a period exceeding 24 hours. Upon completion of the application the Police Department shall issue a registration number to the applicant to be used only by the applicant for the applicant's fishing shelter. The registration number shall be clearly displayed on the outside of the fishing shelter at all times and in accordance with § [92.004](#).

(1978 Code, § 8-9-3) (Ord. 78-O-39, passed 12-19-1978; Am. Ord. 2011-O-71, passed 12-6-2011; Ord 2016-O-35, passed 12-20-2016)

§ 92.004 POSTING NUMBER AND REQUIRED INFORMATION ON SHELTER.

(A) The number so assigned by the Wauconda Police Department shall be posted on all sides of the shelter with a marking of white, yellow, orange or any color, which shall provide a contrast with the surface of the fishing shelter so that it can be seen from a distance of 500 feet. Markings shall be at least 12 inches in height.

(B) Every shelter or vessel on the surface of Bangs Lake, seasonal or temporary, shall also be required to have reflective markers on all four sides of the shelter or vessel and shall be tagged listing the owners Name, Address and Telephone Number. No shelter or vessel shall be used or placed upon the surface of Bangs Lake without being so marked or identified.

(1978 Code, § 8-9-4) (Ord. 78-O-39, passed 12-19-1978; Ord 2016-O-35, passed 12-20-16)

§ 92.005 REMOVAL OF SHELTER.

(A) It shall be unlawful for any person to leave unattended and unused any fishing shelter upon the waters of the village on and after March 1 of any year until the safe commencement of the following ice fishing season.

(B) Following March 1 of each ice fishing season, the shelter must be removed at the end of each fishing day and shall not be left unattended at any time after such date.

(C) Any shelter left unattended and unused after March 1 of each year may be removed and disposed of by the village. All costs of such removal and disposition shall be paid by the person in whose name the fishing shelter was registered. Such costs shall be in addition to any fines or penalties imposed for failure to timely remove the shelter.

(1978 Code, § 8-9-5) (Ord. 78-O-39, passed 12-19-1978; Am. Ord.2011-O-71, passed 12-6-2011)

§ 92.006 SIZE AND CATCH LIMITATION.

(A) *Northern pike.* All northern pike in the possession of any person, which have been taken from the waters of Bangs Lake or any water or watercourses lying within or passing through the village shall be of a size not less than 36 inches in length (measured from the tip of the nose to the midpoint of the tail fin). The maximum catch of northern pike shall be 1 per day.

(B) *Muskellunge.* All muskellunge and muskellunge hybrid fish (tiger muskie) in the possession of any person, which have been taken from the waters of Bangs Lake or any water or watercourses lying within or passing through the village shall be of a size of not less than 36 inches in length (measured from the tip of the nose to the midpoint of the tail fin.) The maximum catch of Muskellunge shall be 1 per day.

(C) *Bass.* Largemouth bass and smallmouth bass in the possession of any person, which have been taken from the waters of Bangs Lake or any water or watercourses lying within or passing through the village, must be returned to the waters from which caught (catch and release only).

(D) *Walleye pike.* Walleye pike in the possession of any person which have been taken from the waters of Bangs Lake or any water or watercourses lying within or passing through the village shall be of a size no less than 14 and no more than 16 inches in length (measured from the tip of the nose to the midpoint of the tail fin). The maximum catch of walleye pike shall be 2 per day.

(E) *Pan fish.*

(1) Bluegill, Sunfish, Pumpkinseed and Perch in the possession of any person which have been taken from the waters of Bangs Lake or any water or watercourses lying within or passing through the village shall be of a size not less than 6 inches in length (measured from the tip of the nose to the midpoint of the tail fin). The maximum catch of Bluegill, Sunfish, Pumpkinseed and Perch shall be 10 per day.

(2) Black crappie in the possession of any person which have been taken from the waters of Bangs Lake or any water or watercourses lying within or passing through the village shall be of a size not less than 10 inches in length (measured from the tip of the nose to the midpoint of the tail fin). The maximum catch of black crappie shall be 8 per day.

(F) *Additional Requirements and Regulations for Ice Fishing.* An Illinois Sport Fishing License is required for ice fishing. The Ice Angler may use a maximum of two (2) tip-ups with no more than two (2) hooks on each line. One (1) additional fishing police may be used. No pole or tip-up may be left unattended or out of owner's view or immediate control. Holes cut in

the ice may not exceed 12 inches in diameter and must be clearly marked as to not constitute a hazard if left unattended.

(G) Violation of this section shall result in a fine not-to-exceed \$750.00 per violation as provided in Section 92.999 and Section 10.99 of this Code, and shall be in addition to Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) Regulations for State Fishing License Violations. (1978 Code, § 8-9-6) (Ord. 84-O-50, passed 11-1984; Am. Ord. 86-O-33, passed 8-19-1986; Am. Ord. 1992-O-50, passed 10-6-1992; Am. Ord. 2001-O-12, passed 4-17-2001; Am. Ord. 2003-O-21, passed 6-3-2003; Am. Ord. 2006-O-41, passed 8-1-2006; Am. Ord. 2012-O-19, passed 5-1-2012; Am. Ord. 2016-O-08, passed 1-19-2016; Am. Ord. 2016-O-15, passed 3-15-2016; Am. Ord. 2016-O-35, passed 12-20-2016).

§ 92.097 TRAFFIC RULES.

(A) *Passing.* When 2 boats are approaching each other head on or nearly so (so as to involve risk of collision), each boat shall bear to the right and pass the other boat on its left side.

(B) *Crossing.* When boats approach each other obliquely or at right angles, the boat approaching on the right side has the right of way.

(C) *Overtaking.* One boat may overtake another on either side but must grant right of way to the overtaken boat.

(D) *Sailboats and rowboats.* When a motorboat is approaching a boat propelled solely by sails or oars, the motorboat must grant the right of way to the sailboat or rowboat. (Ord. 1984-O-24, passed 5-15-1984)

(E) *Hours of operation.* It shall be unlawful for any person to operate any motorboat at more than minimum wake speed between the hours of sunset and 10:00 a.m. on the waters of Bangs Lake. The operation of a personal watercraft or specialty prop-craft by any person is prohibited between the hours of sunset and 10:00 a.m. on the waters of Bangs Lake. (Ord. 1996-O-52, passed 11-19-1996; Am. Ord. 2015-O-12, passed 6-2-2015; Am. Ord. 2016-O-14, passed 3-15-2016)

(F) *Speed.* No person shall operate a motorboat over the water, on any lake located wholly or partly within the village limits, at a speed in excess of 30 miles per hour. Within 300 feet offshore or in posted "No Wake" areas, a boat shall be operated at not more than minimum wake speed.

(G) *Speed and Safe Operation Regulations on Frozen Water.* It is unlawful for any person to operate any All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) or Snowmobile on the surface of any frozen lake or frozen water located wholly or partly within the village limits at a speed in excess of 30 miles per hour. Between sunset and 10:00 AM, speed shall be reduced to a maximum of 15 miles per hour. The reduced speed limit shall also be in effect at any time such ATV or Snowmobile is within 100 feet or less of any structure or person on frozen water. It is unlawful for any person to operate an ATV or a Snowmobile in a reckless or negligent manner at any time.

(H) *Proof of Insurance Required for Operation of Any Motorized Vehicle While on Frozen Waters.* The operator of any vehicle or motorized conveyance on the surface of Bangs Lake or any frozen water located wholly or partly within the village limits shall be required to carry proof of insurance for said vehicle or conveyance. Proof of insurance shall be exhibited and produced on demand by any member of the Wauconda Police Department or any state agency lawfully entitled to obtain said information.

(I) *Violations.* Violation of this section shall result in a fine not-to-exceed \$750.00 as outlined in Section 92.999 and Section 10.99 of the Wauconda Village Ordinance. (Ord. 1984-O-24, passed 5-15-1984; Am. Ord. 2016-O35, passed 12-20-2016) (1978 Code, § 8-8-34)

EXAMPLE OF INDUSTRY STANDARD SCREW ANCHOR

