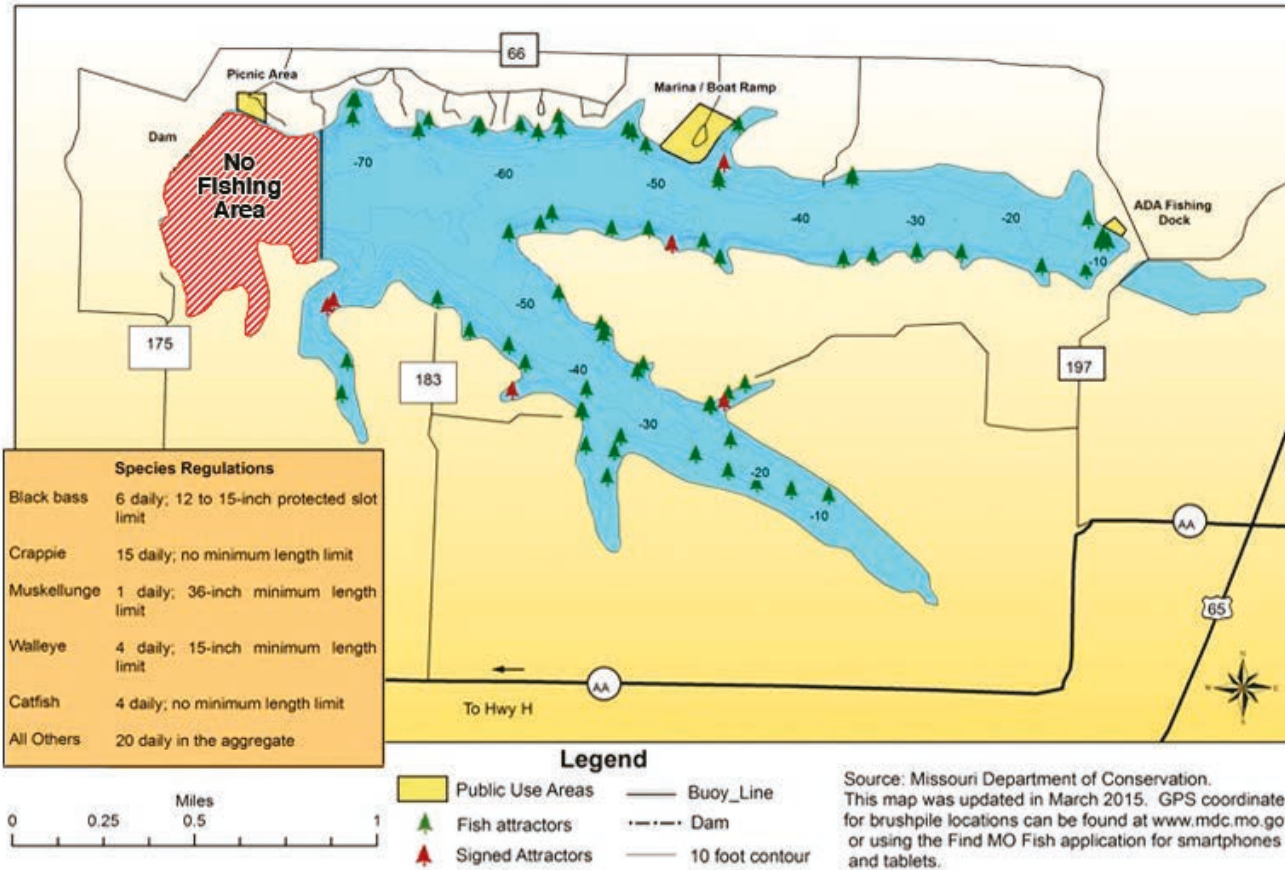
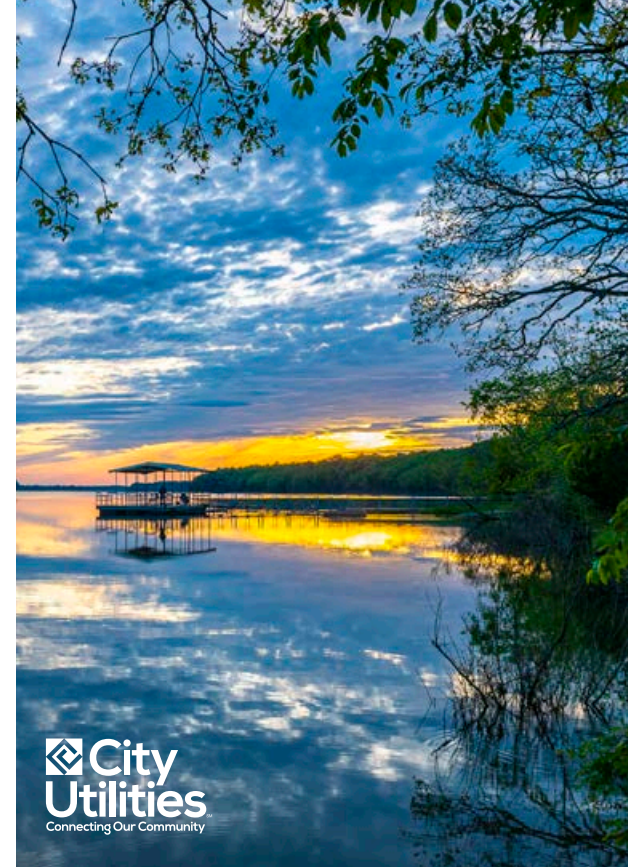


FELLOWS LAKE



PARK AND RECREATION

RULES & REGULATIONS FOR FELLOWS LAKE



City Utilities
Connecting Our Community

MARINA IS OPEN FROM SUNRISE TO SUNSET, MARCH 1-OCTOBER 31

HISTORY

Fellows Lake was completed in 1955, at a cost of approximately \$3 million. It has a total storage capacity of 10,099,000,000 gallons. It covers an area of 820 acres, has a shoreline of 17 miles, and 1,600 acres of marginal land. The earth and rock-filled dam is 2,700 feet long including a 700 foot spillway. Fellows Lake impounds the water from a drainage area of 22 square miles in the Little Sac River watershed and receives water from Stockton Lake through a pipeline. As needed, water is released to flow naturally along the stream bed

into McDaniel Lake or pumped through an 11 mile, 36-inch diameter pipeline to the Blackman Water Treatment Plant. The primary purpose of this reservoir is to impound water to supply Springfield with drinking water. The recreational activities therefore must be limited to maintain the integrity of this water supply.

Non-compliance with these rules may result in a fine, loss of permit, or both. Questions concerning the park should be directed to City Utilities Fulbright Water Treatment Plant at 417-831-8881.

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REGISTRATION OF BOATS

Each boat operated on the reservoir shall be registered with City Utilities. The registration fee is \$35 a year (April 15 to April 14) for motorized boats, and \$20 a year for non-motorized boats (no motor of any kind). A decal bearing the permit and motor horsepower identification number shall be placed on the side of all registered boats. In lieu of a yearly pass, a day pass is available for \$10 for motor or non-motorized boats. **Anyone adding a motor to a boat permitted as a non-motorized boat shall forfeit their permit and be required to purchase a \$35 permit to use the lake.**

All boats shall be launched from the designated area maintained by City Utilities for such purpose and during the hours designated for boating. Boats must be off the water before park gates are locked at sunset. Boats are not permitted east of the road bridge (Farm Road 197) or west of the buoy line.

BOATS AND MOTORS

Prior to registration, City Utilities or its designated representative must inspect all boats. The inspection is required prior to registration; however, each registered boat may be subject to reinspection to verify continued compliance with regulations. Boat motor horsepower shall not exceed forty (40) horsepower, as determined by the manufacturer's rating. Boating is prohibited west of the buoy line near the dam.

WATER SAFETY -BOAT OPERATORS

All boat operators must meet the Water Patrol Division of Missouri State Highway Patrol requirements for operating a boat on Fellows Lake.

No boat of any kind or character shall be operated on Fellows Lake unless it carries for each occupant a suitably designed life preserver, in good condition and approved as adequate for that purpose by the U.S. Coast Guard, and every boat of any kind or character shall have onboard oars of such size and number as required to properly operate the boat regardless of the condition of the motor. While a boat is on the water each occupant who is unable to swim or is ten (10) years of age or younger, whether able to swim or not, shall properly wear a life jacket at all times. United States Coast Guard's "Steering and Sailing Rules" shall govern

the use and operation of boats on a Fellows Lake. However, nothing herein shall be construed as permitting any boat to be operated in a manner or at a speed greater than is safe and prudent under the circumstances and the operator thereof shall observe all signs and directions placed on or near the reservoir and obey all orders and regulations of the City or City Utilities and its supervisory personnel.

All boats and crafts shall be launched from the designated area maintained by City Utilities for such purpose and during the hours designated for boating. Boats must be off the water before park gates are locked at sunset. Boats are not permitted east of the roadbridge (Farm Road 197) or west of the buoy line.

PADDLEBOARDING

Paddleboarding may be allowed with a non-motorized boat permit. If any person is purposefully swimming from a paddleboard, the permit may be revoked and the option to further allow paddleboarding to any person will be at City Utilities discretion.

FIREARMS

No Person within a Recreation Area shall brandish in a threatening manner any firearm, knife or other dangerous weapon or weapon that appears to be a dangerous weapon, including but not limited to BB, air, pellet or dart guns.

MOTORIZED VEHICLES

No person shall operate motor vehicles, minibikes, motorcycles, amphibious vehicles or any other type of motor vehicle in areas or on grounds other than existing roadways.

DRONES

No unmanned aerial or maritime systems (drones), model rockets or propelled projectiles are allowed to be launched from any Recreation Area, unless special approval is granted by City Utilities.

SMOKING AND/OR TOBACCO USE

Smoking and/or tobacco use are strictly prohibited in Recreation Areas.

SWIMMING

Swimming, bathing and wading are strictly prohibited.

FISHING

Fishing is permitted in accordance with the Missouri Department of Conservation Commission Regulations in all areas except no fishing is permitted west of the buoy line west of the buoy line near the dam or within 200 feet of the marina or launch site. Conservation Dept. rules allow only line and pole, with a three pole per person maximum. The marina cove is closed to boat fishing and open to bank fishing as "catch and release" only. Questions related to fishing should be directed to the Missouri Department of Conservation at 417-895-6880.

PAVILIONS, PICNICKING AND FIRES

Pavilions cannot be reserved. They are available on a first-come basis. All picnicking shall be confined to the designated areas. Fires may be built only in the grills provided by City Utilities and must be extinguished before leaving the area. Open fires are strictly prohibited. All waste should be placed in the provided receptacles. Dumping of waste not generated at the Lake is forbidden

DOGS, CATS AND OTHER ANIMALS

No unleashed dog, cat or other domesticated animal shall be permitted in the park.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

Possession and/or consumption of alcoholic beverages at Fellows Lake are absolutely prohibited unless special approval has been granted by City Utilities.

HUNTING

Hunting is managed by the Missouri Department of Conservation.

OTHER

No overnight camping. Hunting on City Utilities' property is only allowed during an MDC's Managed Hunt. Please see their website for information and regulations. Driving is permitted only on maintained roads. No off-roading allowed. No fireworks allowed at any time. Magnetic fishing is prohibited.