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Jensen Lakes Homeowner's Association 2025/2026 General Fishing Rules and Regulations

Document Summary

1. General Fishing Rules & Regulations: These rules ensure safe, enjoyable, and environmentally responsible fishing at Jensen Lakes. No fishing license is required, but strongly recommended. All participants must adhere to the **ALL** JLHOA rules and regulations, equipment guidelines, and designated area restrictions.

2. Catch-and-Keep: Allows eligible members to keep a limited number of fish while remaining compliant with *general fishing rules* and household limits. Catch-and-Keep will be active for those who are eligible year round unless otherwise posted. Catch-and-Keep may be paused if fish quantities become low.

3. General Ice Fishing Rules & Regulations: Ice fishing at Jensen Lakes is subject to *general and catch-and-keep rules*, with additional guidelines for safety, equipment, and designated areas to protect the ice and surrounding activities.

Violation of the following rules and regulations may result in temporary suspension of your JLHOA membership and it could potentially result in the restriction or loss of your fishing privileges at Jensen lakes as determined by JLHOA Management.

ALL FISHING IS DONE AT YOUR OWN RISK!

1. General Fishing Rules & Regulations

The following rules are in place for the safety and enjoyment of all Jensen Lakes residents. Please read through the rules and regulations carefully before fishing at Jensen Lakes.

- **Eligibility**
 - Membership cards are mandatory. **No Exceptions.**
 - Residents must be in good standing with the JLHOA (i.e. all fees paid and no rule infraction warnings on file).
 - Guests are not permitted to fish without a member present.
- **Equipment Guidelines**
 - **Single barbless hooks ONLY. No treble hooks.**
 - Only one rod is permitted per person.

- **ALL** bait is strictly prohibited. No live bait, no power bait, food (including bread), or any bait of any kind are prohibited.
- Led weights, casting nets, and/or unattended lines are prohibited. Unattended equipment may be confiscated.
- JLHOA staff reserve the right to inspect fishing equipment and containers for prohibited items which may result in the confiscation of the items.
- **Designated Fishing Areas & Restrictions**
 - Fishing is permitted **ONLY** at the end of the fishing pier and in designated areas for non-motorized resident owned watercrafts (visit www.jensnlakeshoa.ca for updated maps).
 - Fishing on JLHOA owned watercraft is **strictly prohibited**.
 - Fish lines/hooks must not enter the designated swimming zone.
 - Fishing within 5 meters of a private or shared dock is strictly prohibited.
 - Care must be taken to release the fish safely back into the water.
 - If a fish is not expected to survive, it must be removed from the lake and disposed of off-site and a JLHOA staff member must be notified.
 - There is to be no gutting of fish on park grounds.
 - Instructions from the JLHOA staff must be followed while on the premises.
 - The JLHOA may change these rules without posted notice.
 - All park rules, including alcohol consumption and smoking, are still in effect.

2. Catch-and-Keep

All 'General Fishing' Rules still apply while participating in Catch-and-Keep along with the following:

- All participants must be 18 years or older to be eligible.
- "Catch & Keep" will allow households to bring home 6 fish per month, with a maximum of 2 per day.
- Eligible members wishing to participate in Catch-and-Keep, must have their "keep" inspected and logged by the JLHOA staff.
 - Participants 17 and under must register their catch with an adult in order to "keep" the first.

Residents are encouraged to report and contact the **JLHOA maintenance office** for any dead fish or wildlife.

3. Ice Fishing

All 'General Fishing' and 'Catch-and-Keep' rules still apply along with the following:

- Only propane heaters are permitted.
- Only hand-powered or electric augers are permitted. Strictly no gasoline powered augers are permitted. (Manual auger available to rent, membership card required)
- Fishing is not permitted in the areas surrounding the JLHOA boat and rental dock, shared docks, or private docks.

- Designated Ice Fishing areas are indicated on the map.
- Holes must be a minimum of 20 feet from any skating paths, rink area, or beach shoreline.
- Holes must not exceed 12 inches in diameter.
- Temporary tents/ice shelters are permitted, but must be taken down each night.
- Permanent structures of any kind are not permitted.
- Only JLHOA machinery and heavy equipment is allowed on the lake surface, no other motorized vehicles are permitted.

Important Things to Know:

MINIMUM ice thickness requirement is **8 inches** to support foot traffic and ice fishing. Be careful and attentive at all times. If you see any large cracks with pooling water on the lake's ice surface please notify JLHOA staff immediately.

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