

This permit covers the use of boats, kayaks, canoes, and stand-up paddleboards (SUPs) only; referred to as "Boats" hereinafter. It is issued subject to the following conditions:

- This permit must be carried and produced when requested by PIPC personnel.
- PIPC boat permits will be issued only to persons 18 years of age or older.
- Equipment and documentation required by New York State Law and the US Coast Guard are listed on the back of this permit.
- All park rules and regulations must be observed.
- This permit is not transferable. It must be used only by the person/vehicle/boat named above.
- This permit is issued for boating on Park lakes, where permitted, and for no other purpose.
- Fishing from a permitted boat is allowed. A New York State fishing license is required.
- Boating is permitted during the dates and hours listed on the back of this permit.
- **Overnight camping, picnicking, building fires, swimming and bathing are not permitted.**
- Persons issued this permit release the Palisades Interstate Park Commission and the State of New York from any and all claims and causes of action that may arise by reason of injury to person or property sustained while on property of the Palisades Interstate Park Commission.
- Boats must be of open hull construction with definable sides which shall project a minimum of 6" above the waterline. Inflatable boats must conform with the American Boat and Yacht Council (ABYC) project H-28 standards and either be able to document or display evidence of same from a recognized certification authority such as the National Marine Manufacturers Association (NMMA), ABYC, ISO or CE. Inflatables unable to provide evidence of compliance with the above noted standard are not permitted.
- **Boats must be launched and removed only at designated launch areas.**
- Boats may not be stored on Park property.
- **Boats must remain at least 300' from all islands, public beaches, and camp docks.**
- **Swimming from a boat is not permitted.** Rolling of kayaks is not permitted.
- Animals are permitted in boats other than SUPs but are not permitted in the water.
- Animals are not permitted on SUPs.
- Occupants of a boat must remain seated except when the boat is docked. Occupants of a SUP must stand.
- Gas-powered motors, jet skis, and wind surfers are not permitted. Battery-powered motors capable of four knots or less may be used.
- Occupants of canoes, kayaks, sailboats, and stand-up paddleboards (SUPs) must be able to swim.
- Only one person per SUP.
- The **numbered decal** issued with this permit must be **permanently affixed** to the *rear starboard (right) side* and must be visible when the boat is afloat. SUP decal must be attached to the top of the board at the rear.
- **SUP boaters must wear a U.S. Coast Guard approved PFD at all times, regardless of age. They must be tethered to SUP** by a factory-installed leash intended for this use when on the water.
- Minors (17 & under) using SUPs must be supervised by an adult guardian at all times.
- Trailered boats may be used at either Lake Kanawauke or Lake Welch only. Access to these lakes is via Route 106; trailers are not permitted on Seven Lakes Drive. Trailers may not be backed into the water at either lake. Vehicles with trailers and/or commercial vehicles are not allowed on the Palisades Interstate Parkway or any Park roads.
- All boats must be cleaned and free of any mud, plants, and any other organisms prior to launching in the lake.

PALISADES INTERSTATE PARK COMMISSION PERMIT for BOATS, KAYAKS, CANOES, SUPs and BOAT LAUNCH ACCESS KEYS (cont.)

Boat Launch Access Keys are issued for Lakes Tiorati, Welch, Stahahe and Island Pond. They are subject to the following conditions:

- Gate keys are not transferable and must not be duplicated. Additional guest/visitor vehicles are not permitted. Gates must be locked after entering or leaving an area.
- The decal issued with this permit must be permanently affixed to the rear bumper or window of the vehicle listed above.
- Persons issued a boat launch access permit must carry it and produce it when requested by PIPC personnel.
- Boat Launch Access keys are issued for boating on the specified lakes, and for no other purpose.
- Only a physically challenged angler may purchase a Tiorati/Welch key without a boat for the sole purpose of fishing from shore.

REQUIRED EQUIPMENT AND REGISTRATION

ALL BOATS:

- One USCG approved Type I, II or III PFD (life jacket) for each person on board. Devices must be in serviceable condition and of the appropriate size for the intended wearer. **NYS Law requires children under 12 to wear their PFD while on board**, for everyone else we strongly recommend their use. NYS Law requires that all occupants must wear their PFDs between November 1st to May 1st. **All boaters using a stand-up paddleboard must wear a PFD regardless of age or date.**
- Sounding appliance (mouth whistle permitted)
- Capacity plate
- Navigation lights required between sunset and sunrise, & during daylight periods of reduced visibility

ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT/REGISTRATION REQUIRED FOR:

- **All vessels over 16' in length:**
 - One USCG approved Type IV throwable flotation device
- **Mechanically Propelled vessels less than 16 feet (Class A):**
 - One B-1 Fire Extinguisher in closed type construction (open type construction, rowboats and canoes exempt)
- **All Motorized boats** (electric trolling motors only, motors not permitted at Minnewaska):
 - Registered with the state of principle use
 - Registration Certificate must be on board
 - Validation Decals Displayed
 - Registration Numbers displayed
 - Anchor & line 4 to 7 times the depth of the water
- As of 2025, Brianna's Law requires all motorboat operators regardless of age to obtain a boating safety certificate.

BOATING LAKES AND PONDS

The PIPC Boat Permit allows boating on Askoti, Kanawauke, Minnewaska, Rockland, Sebago, Silvermine and Skannataki Lakes. In addition to the PIPC boat permit, a boat launch access key is required to boat on Lakes Tiorati, Welch, Stahahe and Island Pond. To operate a boat on Blue, Eagle, Little Dam Lake, Laurel Meadow Pond and Four Corners Pond, a Sterling Forest[®] Boat Permit and a PIPC Boat permit are required.

BOATING DATES AND HOURS

- Boating is permitted under this permit from April 1 – November 30 from 5:00 am until 10:00 pm **except as noted below:**
 - **Island Pond:** April 1 through October 15
 - **Minnewaska:** Hours: from park opening until 1 hour before closing
 - **Sterling Forest[®]** (Blue, Eagle & Little Dam Lakes and Laurel Meadow & Four Corners Ponds):
April 1 - December 31 or until ice forms

In the event of an emergency, call NYS Park Police at (845) 786-2781 or CALL 911.