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2008 Ice Fishing Season

Ice fishing is permitted 24 hours a day on City of Findlay Supply Reservoirs #1 and #2, in accordance with City of Findlay Reservoir Rules, under management of the Hancock Park District, and in cooperation with the Findlay Water Treatment Department and the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR). Participant safety and the protection of the Reservoirs' water supply are the principal aims of the City's ice fishing program.

Those persons ice fishing on the Reservoirs must follow all of these Rules:

1. Safety is first – be aware of varying ice thickness and enter upon the ice at your own risk. The City assumes no liability for participant injury.
2. Any fish caught are to be released alive or removed from City Reservoir property for cleaning.
3. An Ohio fishing license is **required** of every person fishing on the Reservoir.
4. ODNR fishing regulations must be adhered to when on the ice and on Reservoir property.
5. Persons ice fishing must be at least 18 years old, unless accompanied by an adult.
6. Ice fishing is the **only** recreational activity permitted on the ice.
7. Alcoholic beverages and other substances of abuse are **prohibited**.
8. Shelters or ice huts are permitted, but must be removed at the end of every fishing day.
9. No plastic bags, tarps, or sheeting are allowed on the ice.
10. No littering. Please carry out what you bring onto the ice and other Reservoir property.
11. Please protect the ice and the Reservoir; it is your water supply.
12. Restrooms are available at Riverbend Park, just northeast of the Reservoir.

To report problems, call 9-1-1 if an emergency. For non-emergency problems or for further information, call the Hancock Park District at 419-425-7275.

Hancock County Sheriff Deputies and the Ohio Department of Natural Resources Wildlife Division patrol the property and can be reached by 9-1-1 or through the Hancock County Sheriff's Office at 419-422-2424 or City of Findlay Police Dispatch at 419-424-7163.