



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

# Town of Southwick

454 COLLEGE HIGHWAY, SOUTHWICK, MA 01077

## Southwick Conservation Commission

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The applicant must complete pages 1, and 2 of this permit.

Print Name

Address of dock(s), vessel(s), buoy(s), swim float(s), or mooring(s)

Applicant Mailing Address

Address

City/Town

State

Applicant Phone (home/cell)

email address

**USE:** The structures authorized herein shall be for private non-commercial use of the Permittee. The structures shall not be used for commercial purposes. Any change in use shall require an amendment to this Permit by the Town of Southwick. The structures authorized herein shall be limited to the following uses: swim floats and buoys, and/or noncommercial docking and boating access to navigable waters.

**TERM:** This Permit will expire on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of December of each year and must be renewed by the 15th of May of the following year in order to remain valid.

**AREA:** The total area of the combined structures, measured below mean/ordinary high water shall be no greater than a total of 600 square feet for proposed water-dependent structures, or for structures built or substantially altered after January 1 1984 without any fill. For structures or fill constructed prior to January 1, 1984 and not substantially altered since that date: any structures and fill either water-dependent or non water-dependant, total no more than 600 square feet. In both instances structure is not a marina (i.e. does not serve ten or more vessels). Dimensions of all structures are to be shown on the accompanying form "Local Permitting Program Layout Sheet".

**CHANGES:** Any change in the use or any substantial structural alteration of any structure authorized herein shall require the issuance by the town of Southwick or Department Environmental Protection (DEP) of a new Waterways Permit or License in accordance with the provisions and procedures established in Chapter 91 or the Massachusetts General Laws. Any unauthorized

substantial change in use or unauthorized substantial structural alteration of any structure authorized herein shall render this Waterways Permit void.

**STRUCTURE:** The structures and /or fill authorized herein shall be maintained in good repair. This Waterways Permit shall not be construed as authorizing encroachment in, on or over property not owned or controlled by the Permittee, except with the written consent of the owner(s) thereof.

**APPLICABLE LAW:** This Waterways Permit is granted subject to all applicable Federal, State, County and Municipal law, ordinances and regulations including but not limited to a valid final Order of Conditions issued pursuant to G.L. Chapter 131, s 40, the Wetlands Protection Act.

**CONSTRUCTION:** a) The structure shall not significantly interfere with littoral or riparian property owners' rights to access and egress their property from the waterway. All structures shall be set back, at a minimum, at least twenty-five (25) feet from abutting property lines, as extended into the lake, where feasible.

b) Structures shall not extend beyond the length of existing piers used for similar purposes; in no case shall the length extend or be placed more than 75 feet, where feasible, or ¼ of the way across a water body, whichever is less, shall not interfere with navigation, and shall conform to the square footage requirements as stated above (AREA), or interfere with navigation.

c) When removed, all seasonal structures shall be stored landward of the mean or ordinary high water shoreline, vegetated wetlands, dunes and all wetland resource areas. Said storage shall be in conformance with any applicable local, state or federal requirements.

d) Swim floats shall have reflectors visible on all sides and should be a natural or a painted light color. The deck shall be 24 inches maximum from the surface of the water unless specifically approved by the Town.

**DREDGING:** No dredging (including, but not limited to effects of prop wash) is permitted.

**NAVIGATION:** No vessel moored at any dock may block or unduly impede navigation within the waterway or the use of any adjacent dock.

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Applicant Signature

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Date

The members of the Southwick Conservation Commission thank you in advance for your participation in the Local Permitting Program (LPP). All lake residents and property owners share the waters of the Lakes and are equally responsible for the safety and health of the water.

Dock(s), registered vessel(s), mooring(s), swim float(s), buoy(s) stickers will be mailed to the applicant upon payment and receipt of the 2019 application included in this mailing.