

## **CONSERVATION LAND RULES & REGULATIONS**

- 1) Conservation areas are open from one half hour before sunrise to one half hour after sunset year-round except by special permit from the Carver Conservation Commission. The exception to this rule is that coyote hunting is allowed in accordance with state law (for state regulations regarding coyote hunting, see [www.mass.gov/masswildlife](http://www.mass.gov/masswildlife)). Coyote hunters must be in parking area no later than 12:30 a.m. For the state turkey season, turkey hunters are allowed on Conservation land outside the hours stated in this rule/regulation.
- 2) Unmanned photo-taking devices are prohibited within 20 feet of marked walking trails.
- 3) Tree stands are only allowed from October 1<sup>st</sup> to January 15<sup>th</sup>.
- 4) Any tree stand or unmanned photo-taking devices not allowed under these rules and regulations and found in violation of these rules and regulations will be confiscated by the Carver Conservation Commission or its agents. Owners of such items may contact the Carver Conservation Commission office (508-866-3482) to arrange for pick-up.
- 5) Off-road use by motorized vehicles, ATVs, dirt bikes, motorcycles, and snowmobiles is prohibited. Automobiles are allowed in designated parking areas only.
- 6) Target shooting and trapping are prohibited.
- 7) The removal, cutting, or damaging of trees, shrubs, plants, flowers, and fungi are prohibited without written approval of the Carver Conservation Commission.
- 8) The use of conservation lands for commercial activities is prohibited except by written authorization of the Carver Conservation Commission. Such authorization will be by majority vote of the Commission at an open public meeting.
- 9) No open fires or cook fires without written approval of the Carver Conservation Commission.
- 10) Alcoholic beverages and glass containers are prohibited.
- 11) The cutting of trails and erection of signs on conservation land is prohibited without written approval of the Carver Conservation Commission.
- 12) All dumping or leaving of litter garbage is prohibited.
- 13) Nudity is prohibited.
- 14) Control of pets must conform to town leash law regulations.
- 15) Camping on conservation land is prohibited without written approval of the Carver Conservation Commission.
- 16) The Carver Conservation Commission may, by written approval, allow or prohibit on conservation lands special activities such as weddings, outdoor dances, business lunch meetings, picnics, small religious or political gatherings, and environmental education.
- 17) Night time parking is prohibited.

- 18) Conservation lands will be managed for passive or recreational activities where appropriate as well as to promote biodiversity.
- 19) The introduction of any wildlife or plants to conservation lands is prohibited without written approval of the Carver Conservation Commission.
- 20) The Carver Conservation Commission may license or lease, with proper authorization, its land for agricultural or forestry use.
- 21) Violators will be prosecuted.
- 22) The Carver Conservation Agent is authorized to act on behalf of the Carver Conservation Commission.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE CARVER CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
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