

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

VIKING VALLEY ASSOCIATION
ZEBRA MUSSEL INITIATIVE

The following is a Board approved Initiative for the prevention of “Zebra Mussel” introduction into Lake Viking. Once you have read and understand the purpose of this initiative, you **must** sign and return the second page to the Association Office. This was presented to the membership at the 2014 Annual Meeting and your signature will be required before your boats and other watercraft will be stickered this year and in the future. This issue should not be taken lightly if we want to preserve the quality of our Lake.

Whereas zebra mussels are a very destructive and prolific invasive species; and

Whereas zebra mussels have been migrating into this area; and

Whereas; it would potentially be catastrophic to the lake, the ecology, fisheries, enjoyment of the lake and decline of property values if zebra mussels were introduced into the lake.

The Lake Viking board believes it to be in the best interest of all association members to implement new policies to address the threat of zebra mussel introduction into the lake. After much study, research, discussion, debate, and consideration the board has approved the following:

1. All watercraft that has been removed from Lake Viking and used in any other body of water must undergo a hot water power wash before returning to Lake Viking water. The wash will be conducted at the new hot water wash station located at the NW end of the dam on Lake Property. The wash will be done by Lake Employees or trained volunteers. There is no cost to members for this service.
 - a) The term watercraft will apply to all boats, jet skis, canoes, paddle boats, and towable devices.
 - b) Boat trailers will also be washed.
 - c) All absorbent materials, such as anchor ropes, ski ropes, life jackets and fishing equipment must also be hot water washed.
2. Used boat docks, used boat lifts, and used jet-ski lifts will not be allowed except those already in Lake Viking water.
3. Fishing bait
 - a) Wild caught bait from any body of water other than Lake Viking will not be allowed. Purchased bait must be from a zebra mussel free bait shop.
4. Boat ramps
 - a) Private and association boat ramps will remain open, however rules will apply.

FAILURE TO ADHERE TO THE ABOVE REGULATIONS WILL RESULT IN A SIGNIFICANT FINE
AS DETERMINED BY THE INFRACTION COMMITTEE.

TOGETHER WE CAN KEEP OUR LAKE ZEBRA MUSSEL FREE!

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I have read and understand the Board approved initiative for the prevention of “Zebra Mussel” introduction into Lake Viking. I will adhere to the guideline set out by this Association and do my part to keep Lake Viking clean and free of this invasive predator.

LOT # _____

Signature: _____

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