

Bourne Conservation Commission Policy 10-5 **Regulation for the Use of Conservation Areas**

The following policy regarding the use of Town of Bourne Conservation Areas was adopted at a public hearing pursuant to MGL Chapter 40, section 8C on August 24, 1983, revised on November 16, 1983 and July 10, 1985. Further revisions were made at a public hearing held on April 20, 1988 and on March 17, 1999.

These regulations are enforceable by any Conservation Commissioner, Natural Resource Officer, State Environmental Police Officer, Town of Bourne Conservation Agent and any Town or State Police Officer who are hereby made "agents of the Commission" for this purpose. Violations of these regulations may result in a fine in the sum of \$100.00 per violation and/or court action.

1. **PERMITTED USES:** Walking, jogging, cross country skiing, swimming, horse back riding, walking leashed pets, and hunting and fishing (as permitted and pursuant to the Regulations of the Massachusetts Fisheries and Wildlife and any posting by the Commission and/or the Department of Natural Resources).
 - a. Property is open 5:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M.

2. **PROHIBITED USES:** Littering, unauthorized cutting or removing vegetation, dumping of refuse or yard waste, group gatherings without prior approval of the Commission, use of drugs, use of alcoholic beverages, introduction of any non-native plants or animals, fires, use of paint ball guns and the use of motorized vehicles.
 - a. Only official vehicles will be permitted. The prohibition applies to all motorized and unauthorized vehicles whether powered by gasoline/diesel/propane.

 - b. **Fires are not allowed.** A waiver may be granted by the Commission when application for a fire is made in writing and is subject to approval by the Fire and Police Departments.

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