

Hot Springs Village Arkansas

Village Lakes



Please keep our Village
and our lakes litter free!

2009

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Lake Balboa: Approx. 950 acres. Boat ramp is located off Ponce de Leon Drive. Full service marina available. Pavilion and beach are located next to the boat ramp. Beach does not have a lifeguard. Fishing, swimming, and towing sports are allowed.

Speed limit: 35 mph. Balboa Marina 501.922.3435.

Lake Coronado: Approx. 380 acres. Boat ramp is located off Murillo Way. Boat slip rentals are available through the Balboa Marina. Fishing, swimming, and towing sports are allowed. **Speed limit: 30 mph.**

Lake Cortez: Approx. 245 acres. Boat ramp is located off of Carmona Road. Pavilion is located next to the boat ramp. The beach does not have a lifeguard and is located off Sereno Lane. Fishing, swimming, and towing sports are allowed. **Speed limit: 30 mph.**

Lake DeSoto: Approx. 200 acres. Boat ramp is located off DeSoto Boulevard. A full service marina is also available. Fishing, swimming, and towing sports are allowed. **Speed limit: 30 mph.** DeSoto Marina 501.922.1500.

Lake Estrella: Approx. 22 acres. Boat ramp is located off Panorama Drive. Fishing and swimming are allowed, towing sports are not. **Speed limit: NO WAKE.**

Lake Granada: Approx. 54 acres. Boat ramp is located off Gusta Lane. Fishing and swimming are allowed, towing sports are not. **Speed limit: 20 mph.**

Lake Isabella: Approx. 25 acres. Boat ramp is located off Pillar Lane. Fishing and swimming are allowed, towing sports are not. **Speed limit: NO WAKE.**

Lake Maria: Approx. 27 acres. Boat ramp is located off Linares Lane. Fishing and swimming are allowed, towing sports are not. **Speed limit: NO WAKE.**

Lake Pineda: Approx. 62 acres. Boat ramp is located off Camino Road. Fishing and swimming are allowed, towing sports are not. **Speed limit: 20 mph.**

Lake Segovia: Approx. 11 acres. A boat ramp is not available. Fishing and swimming are allowed, towing sports are not. **Electric powered trolling motors only.**

Lake Sophia: Approx. 36 acres. Boat ramp is located off El Cano Drive. Fishing and swimming are allowed, towing sports are not. **Speed limit: NO WAKE.**

For Lake information call
Public Works at 501.922.5524.

Fishing Regulations

All of the rules and regulations of the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission apply to anyone fishing the lakes and streams of Hot Springs Village.

1. A valid Arkansas Fishing License is required by all persons 16 years of age or older who wish to fish the Village lakes or streams.
2. Local regulations relative to limits and size of fish caught have been adopted by the POA and such regulations are posted at the boat ramps.
3. No trot lines, limb line, yo-yo, jug fishing or use of commercial nets is permitted.
4. No spear fishing in Village lakes.
5. Brush piles may be established for fish habitat under the direction of the Lakes Manager only. The planting of Hyacinth or other water plants is prohibited.
6. Hot Springs Village lakes and streams are patrolled by the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission and the Hot Springs Village Police Department. Rules and regulations will be enforced. Tickets for safety violations begin at more than \$200.00 each.

Fishing in the Village

The Arkansas Game and Fish Commission stocks our lakes and monitors their progress. All Village lakes are stocked with black bass, spotted bass, channel catfish, blue cat, black and white crappie, blue gill, and green sun fish. Lake Balboa is also stocked with copper nose bream.

There are two marinas in the Village that rent boats, and they have fishing equipment, bait, and fishing licenses for sale. They are located at the boat ramps on Lake Balboa and Lake DeSoto.



Lake Use

1. Hot Springs Village lakes are for the exclusive use of property owners and their guests.
2. Property owners must obtain and properly display a numbered Lake Use Sticker and an annual renewal sticker, for each watercraft or obtain a launching tag.
3. Guests with a motorized watercraft must obtain and display a launching tag.
4. Violators are subject to all the penalties available to the Property Owners' Association (POA).

Lake Regulations

All state and federal boating and fishing regulations apply to Hot Springs Village lakes in addition to Village regulations.

1. All property owners **MUST** have a lake use number for their boat(s). This renewable identification number may be obtained at the POA Administration Building or Lake Balboa and DeSoto marinas by filling out a registration form and paying a fee. The number is to be displayed on the left stern of the boat. All trailers must have affixed a decal identifying the boat as registered.
2. All guests must register their motorized boats at the DeSoto or Balboa marinas. Proper identification must be shown to obtain a temporary launching tag.
3. No boat, power or sail, in excess of 28 feet in length, shall be allowed on the lakes except by permission of the Lakes Manager.
4. The following watercrafts which hold operators and or passengers will not be permitted on Village lakes: houseboats (water crafts used as living quarters) or any boat with toilet facilities, "unconventional craft" such as jet skis, water bikes, wave runners, drag boats, hydro planes,

tunnel boats, and power racing boats, or any boats without a muffler.

5. Persons under 12 years of age may not operate a boat powered by more than 10 hp except under the direct supervision of a person over 17 years of age.
6. Persons operating a boat must obey all buoy markers. A "NO WAKE" buoy indicates operator must slow the watercraft down and not generate waves that can erode the lakeshores and destroy boat docks. The area within 100 feet of shore is a "NO WAKE" area at all times and does not have to be marked with a buoy.
7. Skiing, knee boarding, tubing and other towing sports are allowed on lakes only in areas specifically marked for skiing/towing and must stay in the main body of water and not enter coves, keeping 100 feet from the shoreline, docks, marina, launch ramps, floating markers, other craft and any areas so designated.
8. A person being towed must wear an approved personal flotation device (PFD).
9. Boats towing persons on water skis or similar devices must have, in addition to the driver, an observer (at least 12 years of age) or a wide angle mirror to observe the person being towed.
10. Water towing activities must be in a counter clockwise direction and is permitted from 9:00 a.m. until sunset only.
11. Boat operators and participants must conform to all state and Coast Guard regulations pertaining to the operation of the boat and equipment such as belts, life preservers, tow ropes, etc.
12. Swimming more than 100 feet from shore is not advisable. Swimming is not allowed near boat launching and storage areas.
13. All boats must have one Personal Flotation Device (PFD) for each person on board plus one throwable device. Children 12 and younger must

wear their PFD at all times while aboard a boat except within the area enclosed by railings while the vessel is not underway.



14. Excessive noise on the lakes caused by general assembly after dark of boats adrift, fireworks, etc., will not be tolerated.
15. Boats departing from docks, piers or ramps shall have the right-of-way over all other watercraft approaching the structure. This applies within 100 feet of the dock, pier or ramp.
16. Operation at a speed exceeding five miles per hour within 100 feet of a designated recreation area, a dock, pier, raft, float, anchored boat, dam and shoreline is prohibited.

For a complete listing of the Hot Springs Village lake regulations, please pick up a copy of the Hot Springs Village POA Information and Regulations booklet.

[Pavilions are located on Lakes Balboa and Cortez.](#)

Pavilions are covered and have picnic tables. Grills, restrooms, and sound systems are also available. Call 501.922.0322 for rental information.

[Beaches are located on Lakes Balboa, Cortez & DeSoto.](#)

Beaches do not have lifeguards on duty. Balboa Beach has two shade shelters with grills. The majority of the beach area does not have shade available. Cortez and DeSoto beaches have both shady and sunny areas.

[Marinas are located on Lakes Balboa and DeSoto.](#)

Marinas offer fishing and pontoon rentals, mini and dry storage, covered and non-covered boat slip rentals, bait sales, snacks and soft drinks, gasoline, and fishing licenses. Covered boat slips are also available on Lake Coronado and may be rented from the Balboa marina.

