



**OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF PARKS AND WATERCRAFT
DOCK CONSTRUCTION PERMIT APPLICATION**

**Application to construct a Dock, or place Associated Equipment, on or over waters of the State
under the administration of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Parks and Watercraft
at Buckeye Lake State Park**

Ohio Administrative Rules 1501:46-2-08; 1501:46-12-12; 1501:46-2-31

Instructions:

1. This Application must be submitted to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Parks and Watercraft (the "Division") at the State Park office (the "Park Office").
2. All information submitted with this Application must be in dark ink and must include:
 - a. A detailed map indicating the exact location of the Dock;
 - b. All dimensions of the proposed Dock and/or Associated Equipment on the **Dock Sketch Sheet** attached to this Application;
 - c. Construction drawings providing sufficient detail to evaluate the structural integrity of the proposed Dock and/or Associated Equipment, including overall dimensions, structural framework, anchorage, floatation (if applicable), distance of pile location, and a comprehensive materials list. Repairs that do not alter the basic construction of the Dock or Associated Equipment do not require the submission of such construction drawings.
 - d. If the Dock is being constructed along the Buckeye Lake Dam ("the Dam"), a dock pad number must be referenced on the Application Form and the construction drawings must include:
 - i. length and width of the Dock;
 - ii. reference to adjoining dock pad numbers and the horizontal spacing between the dock pads as measured from the edge of the dock pads;
 - iii. location of the first pile to be placed in the lakebed as referenced from the centerline of the asphalt path (Note: If the toe of the upstream slope riprap is determined to be a shorter distance than the standard minimum of 48 feet measured from the centerline of the asphalt path, the Applicant may request a Variance by submitted in writing the distance of the first piling requested from the center of the asphalt path referencing the dock pad number);
 - iv. description of how the gang plank will attach to the assigned dock pad;
 - v. gang plank specifications and dimensions with a maximum width of 4 feet.
3. All Applicants must read and agree to the attached **Dock Construction Rules and Conditions** contained in this Application.
4. Applicants along the Dam must also read and agree to the **Buckeye Lake Dam Dock Requirements** contained in this Application.
5. An application fee of \$25.00 is payable to the Division at the time this Application is submitted per Ohio Administrative Rule 1501:46-2-31.



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APPLICATION

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| Applicant Name | Mailing Address | City/Zip |
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| County/Township | Phone Number | Email |
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| Contractor's Name | Mailing Address | City/Zip | Phone Number | Email |
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Proposed Starting Date: _____ Anticipated Completion Date: _____

Type of Dock and Associated Equipment: () Dock () Associated Equipment
(specify) _____

Dimensions of Dock (Length and Width): _____

Number of Watercraft for which an Annual Dock License will be required: _____

If on the Dam - Dock Pad Number: _____

If on the Dam - Type & Dimensions of Gang Plank: _____

I have read and agree to the **Dock Construction Rules and Conditions** and, if applicable, the **Buckeye Lake Dam Dock Requirements**, contained in this Application. I agree that any construction, replacement, modification or repair to a Dock and/or Associated Equipment, whether following the standard plans and specifications of the Division, or other plans and specifications, must be approved in writing, and I will not begin construction, replacement, modification, or repair until I receive the Dock Construction Permit from the Division.

If a Dock Construction Permit is not issued and construction, replacement, modification, or repair that will alter the basic construction of the Dock and/or Associated Equipment has begun, I will remove, at my expense, the Dock, Associated Equipment, and/or Watercraft within the time specified by the Division. If I fail to remove the Dock, Associated Equipment, and/or Watercraft, I will reimburse the Division for any and all expenses incurred by the Division for its removal, and I waive any and all claims for reimbursement from the State of Ohio, ODNR, and the Division and their employees, contractors and agents for such removal and any alleged resulting damage or injury.

I explicitly acknowledge that a Dock Construction Permit may be denied. I further acknowledge that the issuance of the Dock Construction Permit does not relieve my duty to continue to obtain an Annual Dock License, pay the applicable and outstanding fees, and comply with all other applicable laws, rules and regulations. The **Dock Construction Rules and Conditions** and, if applicable, the **Buckeye Lake Dam Dock Requirements** for a Dock Construction Permit issued pursuant to this Application, and any subsequent Dock Construction Permit and Annual Dock License, supersede any previous permit issued for the Dock and/or Associated Equipment subject to this Application.

Applicant's Signature

Date



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DOCK CONSTRUCTION RULES AND CONDITIONS

DEFINITIONS:

For purposes of this Dock Construction Permit Application, the following definitions apply:

1. "Applicant" means a person who has applied for a Dock Construction Permit.
2. "Division" means the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Parks and Watercraft.
3. "Chief" means the Chief of the Division.
4. "Permittee" means a person to whom a Dock Construction Permit has been issued.
5. "Dock" means a floating or rigidly supported, platform-like structure that extends from the shoreline over, on or into the water, used to secure and provide access to one or more Watercraft.
6. "Associated Equipment" means equipment or fixture attached to, affixed or used in conjunction with a Dock for the docking, mooring, lifting, lowering or covering of a Watercraft, including gangplanks.
7. "Dock Construction Permit" means a permit issued by the Chief, allowing the construction, installation, replacement, modification, or repair of a Dock and/or Associated Equipment.
8. "Dock Tag" means a metal plate imprinted with a numeric identifier that shall be affixed to the Dock by the Division after compliance with a Dock Construction Permit has been confirmed by the Division.
9. "Annual Dock License" means a license issued by the Chief, allowing the anchoring, mooring, docking or securing of Watercraft to a Dock for one boating season, as determined by the Chief.

RULES AND CONDITIONS:

1. The Division shall have the right to terminate a Dock Construction Permit by giving the Permittee a 24-hour notice, in writing, prior to such termination. The Permittee shall be entitled to a refund of fees paid; however, no refund shall be made if termination of a Dock Construction Permit is due to the Permittee's violation of any statute, administrative rule, Division policy or practice, or the Rules and Conditions of the Dock Construction Permit.
2. The Division reserves the right to raise or lower the pool level of Buckeye Lake (the "Lake") at any time it deems necessary and to order temporary or permanent removal of the Dock, Associated Equipment and/or Watercraft. The Division is under no obligation to maintain Buckeye Lake at a specific level. The Permittee shall not be entitled to any reimbursement for any damage that may result from raising or lowering the water level.
3. Compliance with a Dock Construction Permit issued by the Division does not relieve the Permittee of any other obligation imposed by law.
4. No garbage cans, garbage, refuse, construction materials, sewage, or waste material of any kind shall be thrown, deposited, or permitted to fall into Buckeye Lake or upon the Dock, piers, gang planks, walkways, shore or other areas on or in proximity to the Dock, nor shall the Dock and/or Associated Equipment be used by the Permittee as a storage place for any gear or equipment. Signs, placards, and commercial displays are prohibited on the Dock and Associated Equipment.
5. All lumber used in the construction of Dock must be designed for minimum live load of 85 pounds per square foot (psf). If a floating dock is to be constructed, the live load can be reduced to 30 psf. No oil drums will be permitted as flotation. Only factory-built cylinders with Styrofoam fill will be allowed. The use of creosote or (Penta) treated lumber is prohibited.
6. The Permittee agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the State of Ohio, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR), the Division, and their employees and agents against any claim for injury or damage to the person or property of the Permittee and persons present on, or using, the Dock, Associated Equipment and/or Watercraft at the invitation, request, order or permission of the Permittee.



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7. The Permittee waives any and all claims of reimbursement and compensation for damage or injury arising from any action taken by the State of Ohio, ODNR, Division and their employees and agents pursuant to these Rules and the statutes and regulations governing docks.
8. The Permittee shall reimburse and compensate the State of Ohio, ODNR and the Division and their employees and agents for any damages or injury incurred as the result of the Permittee's failure to comply with the terms of the Dock Construction Permit.
9. The issuance of an Annual Dock License shall not authorize the construction, replacement, modification repair or removal of any Dock and/or Associated Equipment. The Division may require the removal of any Dock and or Associated Equipment for which a Dock Construction Permit has not been issued, and if all such items are not removed by the owner , the Division implement the removal of such items at the owner's expense.
10. The issuance of a Dock Construction Permit shall not permit the docking, mooring or tying-up of Watercraft to a Dock. A Permittee must have a valid, current Annual Dock License in order to dock, moor or tie-up Watercraft to a Dock. The issuance of an Annual Dock License shall be demonstrated by mylar stickers, issued by the Division, one of which shall be placed on the Dock Tag, and one or more other mylar stickers which shall be placed on the Watercraft(s).
11. The Division may, at all reasonable times and without prior notice, enter into and upon the Dock and/or Associated Equipment to determine if the Permittee is complying with the terms of the Dock Construction Permit and the Ohio statutes and regulations governing docks.
12. All Docks, Associated Equipment and Watercraft must be maintained by the Permittee as required by Ohio Revised Code, Ohio Administrative Code and rules of Buckeye Lake State Park and the Rules and Conditions of this Dock Construction Permit application. Docks and/or Associated Equipment requiring replacement shall be replaced, repaired or reconstructed according to Division specifications. In the event a Dock or Associated Equipment, in the opinion of the Division, is in such disrepair as to create a danger to public safety, the Permittee, upon request of the Division, shall either remove the Dock and/or Associated Equipment or submit an application for a Dock Construction Permit to make the appropriate repair or replacement. If the application is denied or if the Permittee fails to take the required action within the time required by the Division, the Division may cause the Dock, Associated Equipment and/or Watercraft be removed at the Permittee's expense.
13. Upon completion of the construction, replacement, modification and/or repair of a Dock and/or Associated Equipment the Permittee shall notify the Division at the Park Office. The Division shall conduct an inspection of the completed Dock and/or Associated Equipment. If the construction, replacement, modification or repair of the Dock and/or Associated Equipment is approved by the Division as compliant with the Dock Construction Permit, the Division shall issue a Dock Tag that shall be displayed at a prominent location.
14. After the initial Dock Construction Permit is issued and approved as compliant, before any additional construction, replacement, modification or repair of a Dock or Associated Equipment that modifies the basic structure of the Dock is commenced, a new Application for a new Dock Construction Permit must be approved by the Division. If owner of the Dock or Associated Equipment fails to apply for and obtain the required Dock Construction Permit prior to commencing any construction, replacement, modification or repair of a Dock will result in the owner's required removal of the Dock, Associated Equipment and/or Watercraft, at the owner's expense. If the owner does not remove the Dock, Associated Equipment and/or Watercraft within the time required by the Division, the Division may have the Dock, Associated Equipment and/or Watercraft removed and disposed. The Permittee agrees not to seek reimbursement for the cost of removal, for the value of any Dock, Associated Equipment or Watercraft removed due to noncompliance and agrees to reimburse the Division for all costs the Division incurs insuring compliance.



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BUCKEYE LAKE DAM DOCK REQUIREMENTS

1. All construction of the Dock and/or Associated Equipment along the Buckeye Lake Dam (“the Dam”) must be performed from the lake side of the Dam. There shall be no access on or over the Dam for purposes of constructing, replacing, modifying, or repairing the Dock or Associated Equipment.
2. No Dock, Associated Equipment or Watercraft may be anchored into, structurally connected to, or require or result in modifications to, any part of the Dam, its embankment, crest, abutments, drains, spillways, steel sheet piling, riprap, or dock pads. Use of the Dam for the mounting of davits, mooring cleats, or other Watercraft docking devices is prohibited. In the event of a violation of this provision the Division may immediately revoke a Dock Construction Permit and/or Annual Dock License and/or remove the Dock, Associated Equipment, and Watercraft. Any repairs for damage to the Dam, its embankment, crest, abutments, drains, spillways, steel sheet piling, or dock pad caused by Permittee shall be performed at the Permittee’s expense.
3. The riprap along the upstream slope of the Dam shall not be moved or adjusted for any reason.
4. The first pile closest to the Dam for construction of the Dock shall be installed at a minimum distance of 48 feet measured from the centerline of the asphalt path, unless the Dock Construction Permit includes a Variance. Piles not installed at the correct distance will be required to be removed at the Permittee’s expense.
5. Gang planks must extend from the dock pad to the Dock. The gang planks must be hinged at the Dock and be easily removable for maintenance of the Dam. Aluminum gangways are recommended but not required. It shall be the Permittee’s responsibility to remove the gang planks for maintenance of the Dam.
6. During construction, the Division may inspect all aspects of construction for any Dock being installed along the Dam, including first pile installation, gang plank attachments, and overall dock dimensions. The Permittee may also request such an inspection by contacting the Park Office.
7. A Dock Construction Permit will not be issued if the Dock and/or Associated Equipment proposed in the Application will infringe upon any other Dock’s current navigational abilities or any dock pad’s future navigational abilities.
8. A Dock Construction Permit will not be issued if the Applicant has failed to either remove an unauthorized encroachment from State Property on the Dam, or to enter into a Lease or License to authorize such an encroachment.
9. A Dock Construction Permit will not be issued if the Applicant is in breach of any Lease or License of State Property on the Dam.
10. No electrical cord, conduit, utilities, connections, pipes, tubing, gangways, or other obstructions shall be placed over the Dam, the Dam embankment, or anywhere on the Division’s property.
11. No garbage, refuse, or personal property of any kind shall be placed on the Dam.
12. The termination of a Dock Construction Permit and/or removal of the Dock, Associated Equipment, and/or Watercraft may be necessitated by repairs to, or maintenance of, the Dam or related facilities. In the event the Chief requires removal of the Dock, Associated Equipment, and/or Watercraft, the Permittee shall cause removal to occur within the time required. If the Permittee does not remove such items as required, the Division may cause the removal of such items at the Permittee’s expense.
13. The Permittee waives any and all claims of reimbursement and compensation for damage or injury arising from any action taken by the State of Ohio, ODNR, the Division, and their employees and agents as required by Ohio’s dam safety laws.



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PERMIT

Dock Construction Permit

() APPROVED

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_____ (“Permittee”) is hereby authorized to construct, replace, modify, or repair the subject Dock and/or Associated Equipment in accordance with the information provided on the submitted Dock Construction Permit Application dated _____ and the **Dock Construction Rules and Conditions** and, if applicable, the **Buckeye Lake Dam Dock Requirements**, contained therein.

This Dock Construction Permit is valid for the period beginning on _____ and ending on _____.

The permitted Dock and/or Associated Equipment will be located at _____ in _____.

The permitted construction, replacement, modification, or repair will be completed by _____, or this Dock Construction Permit shall become invalid.

The Permittee is subject to all applicable laws, administrative rules, policies, and practices of the State of Ohio and the Division of Parks and Watercraft and to the Rules and Conditions set forth in the Dock Construction Permit Application.

The requirements of this Dock Construction Permit, and any subsequent Dock Construction Permits, supersede any previous Dock Construction Permit issued for the same Dock and/or Associated Equipment.

The Dock Tag issued pursuant to this Dock Construction Permit shall be displayed on a prominent location on the Dock, where it shall remain displayed at all times.

Additional Conditions:

Chief, ODNR Division of Parks and Watercraft or designee

Date