

# **WESTLAKE LAKE MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION (“WLMA”)**

## 2026 FISHING PERMIT APPLICATION & AGREEMENT

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**IMPORTANT:** *Fishing on Westlake Lake (even from your own lakefront property or dock) is allowed ONLY with a valid WLMA fishing permit badge. No person may fish without one.*

### **APPLICANT INFORMATION** (please print clearly)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### **FISHING PERMIT REQUEST & FEES** (check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/> Adult Badge(s) (age 12–61)	\$60 each	× _____ = \$_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Senior Badge(s) (age 62+)	\$33 each	× _____ = \$_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Guest Badge(s)	\$60 each	× _____ = \$_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Child Badge(s) (under age 12)	FREE	× _____ = \$_____

TOTAL DUE: \$\_\_\_\_\_

List names and ages of children under 12 for EVERY badge requested:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Age of child \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_ Age of child \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ Age of child \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_ Age of child \_\_\_\_\_

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### **FISHING PERMIT AGREEMENT – \*PLEASE READ CAREFULLY\***

By signing below, I (the “Permit Holder”) understand and agree on behalf of myself and all persons using a badge issued under this application:

## **1. Revocable License Only**

The fishing badge is a revocable license, not a property right. WLMA may revoke any badge and all fishing privileges at any time, with or without cause and without refund.

## **2. Agreement to All Rules**

I agree to read and obey:

- The current “Fishing at Westlake Lake” pamphlet (provided with badges)
- All current and future WLMA lake rules and regulations
- All applicable California Fish and Wildlife laws

I specifically acknowledge Westlake Lake is strictly catch-and-release: barbed hooks, live bait, and “dead-live” bait are prohibited, and every fish must be immediately and carefully released unharmed. (With the exception of carp) See carp disposal guidelines.

**3. Assumption of All Risk** I acknowledge that fishing, walking on banks, shorelines, docks, piers, or any structures, and using any watercraft or equipment on or around Westlake Lake is inherently dangerous and may result in serious injury, death, or property damage from any cause whatsoever, including but not limited to slippery surfaces, submerged objects, weather, wildlife, water conditions, other lake users, or any condition of the lake or its facilities. On behalf of myself, my family, my guests, my heirs, estate, and all persons claiming through me, I knowingly, voluntarily, and completely assume all such risks, whether known or unknown, foreseeable or unforeseeable.

## **4. Release and Covenant Not to Sue**

I hereby fully, finally, and forever release, discharge, acquit, and covenant not to sue Westlake Lake Management Association and its past, present, and future officers, directors, members, employees, volunteers, agents, attorneys, insurers, successors, and assigns (collectively “Released Parties”) from any and all claims, demands, actions, causes of action, lawsuits, damages, liabilities, or obligations of any kind, whether known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, now existing or that may arise in the future, arising out of or in any way related to fishing or any lake-related activity under this permit — including claims based on negligence, gross negligence, recklessness, premises liability, or any other theory of recovery. This release is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by California law. I expressly waive all rights under California Civil Code § 1542 (and any similar law of any jurisdiction), which provides: “A general release does not extend to claims that the creditor or releasing party does not know or suspect to exist in his or her

favor at the time of executing the release and that, if known by him or her, would have materially affected his or her settlement with the debtor or released party.”

### **5. Indemnification, Defense and Hold Harmless**

I agree to defend (with counsel acceptable to WLMA), indemnify, and hold harmless the Released Parties from and against any and all claims, lawsuits, judgments, losses, liabilities, damages, fines, costs, and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees, expert fees, court costs, and all other defense expenses through trial and all appeals) brought by anyone — including me, my family members, my guests, my heirs, my estate, or any third party — arising out of, relating to, or in any way connected with my (or my guests') presence on or use of Westlake Lake or its facilities for fishing or any related activity, regardless of whether such claim alleges negligence, gross negligence, recklessness, or intentional conduct by any Released Party. This indemnification obligation survives termination or revocation of the permit and continues indefinitely.

### **6. Guests**

Guest badges may only be used by persons actually accompanied by me or an adult member of my household who also holds a valid badge. I am fully responsible for my guests' conduct and compliance with all rules.

### **7. No Transfer**

Badges are non-transferable and remain WLMA property. Lost or stolen badges must be reported immediately, and I agree to pay the replacement fee - currently \$33.00

### **8. Enforcement**

Violation of any rule or this agreement may result in immediate revocation of all badges issued under this application, fines, and/or temporary or permanent loss of fishing privileges.

**I have read this agreement, understand it, and agree to be bound by it. This is a legally binding contract.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(Parent/guardian must sign for minors under 18)

Make check payable to: **Westlake Lake Management Association**

Mail or deliver with this form to the address above.

Exhibit A

## FISHING PAMPHLET

### YOU MUST HAVE A WESTLAKE LAKE MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION ("WLMA ") FISHING PERMIT BADGE TO FISH IN THE LAKE. TO QUALIFY FOR A PERMIT, YOU MUST DO THE FOLLOWING

1. Be a Westlake Village Community resident or property owner and show proof of residency status.
2. Fill out, sign, and submit the Fishing Permit Application (with indemnification) form.
3. Pay the annual fee as determined by WLMA each year. Such annual fees are available by contacting the WLMA on-site office at (818) 889-5377 or visiting the website at [www.westlake-lake.com](http://www.westlake-lake.com).

Fishing Permit badges are available for purchase in mid-December and remain available year-round. They are valid for the entire calendar year, from January 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>. Please note that badges purchased after October 1<sup>st</sup> are half-price.

4. Agree to follow and abide by WLMA's Lake Rules and Regulations which Rules include provisions in this fishing pamphlet. The WLMA Rules document is available by visiting [www.westlake-lake.com](http://www.westlake-lake.com).

#### PLEASE NOTE

Fishing is open to the Westlake Community, to residents and property owners of the community, their families, and guests. The limitations on access are to allow recreational fishing while not overburdening the lake as a resource. The Lake Patrol and "official persons" (e.g., security guards, police or Sheriff, California Fish and Wildlife) are aware of this access policy and help enforce it. Please be patient and cooperative if you are questioned and are asked to show your identification on routine checks made by the Lake Patrol and "official persons".

1. **Keep off private property.** Unless you have specific consent from the property owner, fishing is not allowed on private property. Also do not walk the banks or the shoreline of a property, or on any of the cement lake shoreline that can be damaged by walking or standing on it (WLMA will pursue reimbursement of any such damage).
2. **Fishing is permitted** from the bank at each side of the WLMA office, but not near its office boat docks, nor under its office building. Fishing is permitted on the boardwalk but not permitted in front of Boccaccio's, The Landing and/or Zin Restaurants. Fishing is also permitted in the area to the right of the main launch ramp but not in front of the Westlake Yacht Club building. When fishing in these areas you must leave them clean and free of any trash or debris. Please use extra caution when people are walking in this area.
3. **Fishing is not permitted** in the areas of WLMA's Public Marina, on the marina docks, in the maintenance shed area, from homeowner association docks, its lake office docks, from the bridge, or from the banks under the bridge. Fishing from a boat within 100 ft. of the floating dam safety barrier chain is not permitted.
4. **Westlake Lake is a catch and release lake.** No fish may be removed from the lake except for invasive fish species, common carp. WLMA authorizes and encourages persons fishing the Lake to catch, remove and dispose of common carp. disposal under WLMA guidelines (See Rule 2B and Rule 32 in the Lake Rules). All hooks must be barbless or have barbs pinched down. *To prevent injury to the fish, and to maintain the lake ecosystem, no live bait of any kind is allowed this includes cut live bait or other organic material. This includes, among others, goldfish, crawfish, baby bass, bluegill, shiners, waterdogs, earthworms, night crawlers, grubs, or dead "live bait." No food products may be used (i.e., hot dogs). Soft, catfish bait may not be used.* Use only artificial lures, plastic baits, spinners, or artificial flies. When fishing,

promptly release fish caught back into the lake, unless common carp. Avoid maneuvering your boat near other boats.

5. **All fishing persons must wear/display their current WLMA fishing permit badge and lanyard so as to be visible at all times while fishing.** Each person fishing with a permit badge must carry their valid California Driver's License or other acceptable ID to verify that they are the proper owner of the permit badge. The Lake Patrol and/or WLMA private security may request to see your ID any time when you are fishing.
6. **Anyone fishing with a guest badge** must always be accompanied by a resident or property owner with a valid fishing permit badge.
7. **Do not entice** or attempt to hook any pets, animals or birds.
8. **Fishing hours** are one hour before sunrise to one hour after sunset, 365 days a year. Boats used for fishing must be equipped with fixed running lights when operating before sunrise and after sunset.
9. **Keep noise to a minimum** to not disturb residents, particularly in the early morning hours. Remember, noise carries and is amplified over water. Avoid yelling, loud talking, or playing your radio too loudly.
10. **Care must be taken** when fishing around or near public or private docks to avoid damage to any property. Be particularly careful not to hook boat canvas or upholstery.
11. **No trash**, debris or pollutants may be dumped into the lake. Do not throw fishing line into the lake.
12. **Loaning or selling or transferring** your fishing permit badge is prohibited, and any such action is void.
13. **No commercial fishing** operation such as a guide for hire, lessons, or instruction for a fee, or boat rental is permitted. Boat and equipment sales and (long term) leasing is only permitted with a valid written vendor services license agreement with WLMA.
14. **State fishing regulations are enforced by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife.** Westlake Lake is under the jurisdiction of Dept. of Fish and Wildlife who may issue citations for violations including, among others, failure to display a valid California State Fishing License.

**Exhibit B**

## **CARP DISPOSAL GUIDELINES**

### Required Procedure

#### 1. When You Catch a Carp

- Do NOT release the carp back into the water
- Keep the carp secured until you can contact the patrol office
- Do NOT dispose of the carp on your own

#### 2. Contact the Patrol Office

- Call the patrol office immediately after catching a carp
- A patrol officer will bring you a designated plastic bag
- The officer will assist you with proper bagging of the fish

#### 3. Storage Process

- Patrol staff will transport the bagged carp to our designated freezer facility
- Each carp is stored in the freezer until sufficient quantity is collected
- Professional disposal service handles final incineration

### Important Notes

- This process is mandatory for ALL carp catches
- There is no cost to anglers for this service
- This procedure helps protect our lake's ecosystem
- Your cooperation ensures proper documentation and disposal

### Contact Information

Patrol Office: 818-889-5377

Hours of Operation: 9 am to 7 pm daily.

### Why This Process Matters

- Prevents carp from being reintroduced to the lake
- Ensures proper handling and disposal
- Helps monitor carp population in our waters
- Maintains compliance with environmental regulations

The disposal of this invasive species is approved by the department of Fish & Wildlife.

Remember: The patrol office is here to help. Don't hesitate to contact us when you catch a carp.

Westlake Lake Management Association