

# Fishing Regulations



The Blackberry Mountain ponds are valuable assets of our community. However, due to problems with trespassing and vandalism, the Association has been required to initiate fishing permit requirements. Signs have been posted to announce that a permit is required to fish at the ponds. Please refer to the map to identify the Blackberry ponds and their access points. McGraw Pond (near the bridge entrance to Blackberry) is a private pond on private property and no fishing is permitted by the owner.

**Permits.** Fishing on the Blackberry Mountain ponds is reserved for the exclusive use and enjoyment of the BMA members in good standing with the Association. Guests must be accompanied by a Blackberry resident and possess Guest Fishing Permits. When an invited guest fishes at Blackberry, the resident who invited the guest assumes full responsibility for assuring the guest is aware of all rules and regulations of the Association. Any member who allows an invited guest to fish at Blackberry is responsible for all actions, violations and subsequent fines of their guest. Unattended guests, workers and vendors are not allowed to fish at the ponds. Permit application forms are available online and in the office. Georgia fishing license information is required to complete the form.

**License.** A valid Georgia fishing license is required by all fishermen 12 years old or older.

**Fishing.** Catch and release ONLY. Artificial lures and flies are allowed. The use of setlines, unattended lines and seines are prohibited. Carp and catfish are stocked for the purpose of vegetation control. If hooked, they must be immediately and safely returned to the water. All waste lines, used hooks and trash must be removed. Spear fishing or bow fishing is prohibited. Fishing is permitted from non-motorized canoes, kayaks and float tubes.

**Access.** Members and their guests may not trespass on private lots owned by others. Fishing from all of the Association pond dams is allowed. Fishing is allowed from the Association platforms and docks on Peace, Harmony, Spring Lake I and II and High Meadow ponds. Fishermen must access the ponds by way of the Association access pathways.

**Fish Stocking.** Strictly prohibited.

**Traps.** Any kind of traps for aquatic or land species such as crayfish, minnows, beaver or any other kind of species is prohibited.





# FISHING PERMIT REGISTRATION

Use one form per person.

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Name

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Street Address

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City, State and Zip

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Home Phone	Cell Phone	E mail
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## Valid Georgia Fishing License

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GA Fishing License Number	Age
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Issue Date	Expiration Date
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I agree to abide by the Blackberry Mountain Association rules and regulations. I understand that any violation of these rules and regulations will result in immediate eviction from the property.

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Signature	Date
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----- OFFICE USE ONLY -----

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Issued by	Date
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