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Stand Up Paddleboard Agreement

Objective:

The objective of the Cove Paddleboarding Certification Program is to promote and ensure safe and enjoyable paddleboarding (SUP) at Carvins Cove, and to minimize detriment to the Roanoke Valley's water supply.

Policy:

It is the policy of the Water Authority and Roanoke Parks and Recreation (RPR) that a SUP Certification Badge must be obtained and presented in order to be allowed to SUP at the Cove. You must show your SUP badge to the Water Authority upon check-in.

Procedure:

To obtain your SUP Certification Badge you will need to (1) participate in, to the satisfaction of the instructor, a Learn to SUP, SUP Water Safety or similar course through Roanoke Parks and Recreation or (2) have taken a course within the last year with RPR or have a current SUP Certification through the ACA, PSUPA, WPA or other recognized organization. Visit and register with the City of Roanoke Parks and Recreation Offices signifying you understand and agree with the SUP Protocol. There is a registration fee of \$10 which will "certify" you to paddle at Carvins Cove for two years; badges may be renewed after 2 years if the paddleboarder is still in good standing. For more information or questions please contact Outdoor Recreation Supervisor, Kat Andrew. Please call or email ahead for badge appointments. Badges can be made during office hours Mon-Fri 8am-5pm.

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Protocol:

Upon entering the Boat Dock you will check in with the office and show your badge to the attendants. At this time you will also pay associated boat dock fees, be subject to a boat inspection and show them you have the necessary *equipment to SUP on the reservoir. You must keep your badge on your PFD at all times while on the water.

Boat Dock Information:

Boating on the cove is permitted under certain conditions described below. Boating rules and fees help provide recreational opportunities for visitors to the cove while still maintaining the safest, highest quality drinking water possible. It is very important for boaters to understand all the issues involved with boating before arriving at the cove. Swimming is strictly prohibited at Carvins Cove at all times.

Use may be restricted at the discretion of the Western Virginia Water Authority in the event of low or high water, high winds, or other problems. Hours of operation are subject to change at the sole discretion of the Western Virginia Water Authority.

a. Boating hours:

April 1 to September 30: Seven days a week, 6:30am to 9:30pm

October 1 to March 31: Seven days a week, 8:30am to 6:30pm

b. Boat launching fees:

Cash or check only please. The following fee includes inspection:

No motor: Annual fee \$75, Daily Fee \$5

c. Boat Inspection:

All personal boats launched at Carvins Cove have to be out of other waters for at least the previous three weeks.

***Equipment:**

In order to be compliant with the SUP Certification we require the following gear on your person/board while paddling at Carvins Cove.

- SUP Badge – kept on participant’s PFD while on the water
- Stand Up Paddleboard & Paddle
- Stand Up Paddleboard Leash – worn at all times while on the water
- PFD(personal flotation device -Includes inflatable belts)

Additional Information:

In recent years, a fingernail-sized, striped mussel called the zebra mussel has been introduced to the waters of North America from the Caspian Sea region of eastern Europe. This exotic pest has no natural predators on this continent to keep its population in check and has caused serious problems in North American waters. The zebra mussel has the potential to clog water-intake systems, degrade aquatic environments, harm fish and native mussel populations and contribute to taste and odor problems in the production of drinking water. The introduction of the zebra mussel in Carvins Cove would be bad news, since a reproducing population of the mussel can spread rapidly through the water supply.

By signing this waiver I understand the rules, regulations and fees of paddling at Carvins Cove. I will abide by said rules and understand that if I fail to bring the required equipment I will be asked to leave. If I violate any of the above stated rules my SUP badge can be taken away at the full discretion of the Water Authority and Roanoke Parks and Recreation.

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Staff Administering Badge:

Printed Name: _____ Signature: _____