



Marine Structure Maintenance Guidance

Marine Structure Maintenance- This guidance applies to the ongoing repair of any aspect of an existing permitted marine structure (i.e., dock, boat lift, PWC lift) that does not involve replacement of any major components of the structure. This maintenance includes, but is not limited to, hinge replacement, resurfacing of dock walkways or floats, staining, painting, or pressure washing docks, repairing or installing the handrail of a dock, maintaining the dock cables or floats, or replacement of boat or PWC lift slides to a new specification or configuration. ***Marine structure maintenance, of this type, does not require a permit from SWS, but does require a Marine Structure Notification Form to be submitted to SWS.***

Property owners are allowed and encouraged to maintain permitted marine structures to the best of their abilities to prevent the development of potential hazards and promote safe use of the structure. Property owners performing maintenance on their marine structure will be required to notify SWS that the work is taking place by submitting a Marine Structure Notification of Maintenance. This form may be submitted before or after work is completed, and simply serves to notify the Lake Wardens and Watershed Staff that the work has taken place. Notification of Maintenance forms may be found in the Lake Bowen and Lake Blalock Wardens Offices, as well as at <https://www.spartanburgwater.org/Bowen-policies-guidance> and <https://www.spartanburgwater.org/Blalock-policies-guidance>.

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