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To keep our contiguous neighbors and boat permit holders updated on the latest reservoir news, Spartanburg Water will periodically send Lake Alerts via e-mail to our subscribers. Whether sharing inclement weather and boating notifications, or letting you know about an upcoming DNR visit – we want you to be informed. Subscribe today by sending an e-mail to healthylakes@spartanburgwater.org.



Thinking About Trimming? Be Sure to Call Before You Cut

As the winter approaches, and vegetation and trees begin to shed their many layers of foliage in preparation for the season, you may want to take advantage of the cooler weather to do some yardwork.

But, prior to beginning any raking or trimming, be sure to remember the following:

- Spartanburg Water property extends to the 827' Mean Sea Level (MSL) Contour Line around Lake Bowen, 720' MSL around Lake Blalock, and the 780' MSL around Municipal Reservoir #1. This buffer area around all three reservoirs is owned by Spartanburg Water System, and is governed by set Rules and Regulations.
- Any trimming, cutting, or removal of vegetation within the buffer area surrounding Lake Blalock requires a valid permit and approval by Spartanburg Water System, before any activity can occur.
- For those residents of Lake Bowen, only those "Authorized Maintenance Activities" as described in the Lake Bowen Rules and Regulations document are allowed without a permit.
- Leaf raking, blowing and/or burning is prohibited in the buffer area. All yard debris from the contiguous landowner's property should be picked up and disposed of outside of the buffer zone.
- For contiguous landowners around Municipal Reservoir #1, the buffer area must remain in its natural, vegetative state, except for a permitted and approved walkway.



Our watershed staff and wardens are always more than happy to help answer any questions and assist with permits for tree and vegetation management.

To view the Rules and Regulations for all three reservoirs and contact information for our Lake Bowen and Lake Blalock Park Offices, please visit our website: www.spartanburgwater.org/our-lakes



Mark Your Calendar – Irrigation Permit Renewals

With the holidays quickly approaching and your mailbox starting to fill up with cards, catalogs and gifts, be sure to stay on the lookout for your yearly irrigation permit renewal letter that will arrive in December.

As part of Spartanburg Water Land Permits, irrigation permits are required for those adjacent properties to Lake Bowen and Lake Blalock, and must be renewed each year – or must be removed for non-renewal. Irrigation permits are not allowed for properties adjacent to Municipal Reservoir #1.

New to the area and interested in installing irrigation?

For those who are interested in installing irrigation on their property, a Land Permit Application can be completed and submitted to either the Lake Bowen or Lake Blalock Warden's Office. For questions, please call the watershed staff at Lake Bowen (864) 592-2240, or Lake Blalock (864) 578-5442.

To access the application, as well as pricing information and all Rules and Regulations governing our three reservoirs, please visit: www.spartanburgwater.org/our-lakes

Picnic Pavilion Rentals

At this time, Spartanburg Water has decided to allow for first-come, first-served use of our picnic pavilions at both Lake Blalock and Lake Bowen parks, rather than accepting reservations.

We appreciate your support, and hope you will still take advantage of the picnic pavilions while enjoying both of our beautiful lakeside parks.

For more information, please contact our Lake Bowen Office (864) 592-2240, or Lake Blalock Office (864) 578-5442.



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