Lake of the Woods Association Inc.
Policy Resolution 2015-5
Fire Pits and Open Fires
Section VII. E.2; X.C.4.e., XVI., D.4.p, and XVI.G.3.d

WHEREAS, Article V of the bylaws gives the Board of Directors the authority to amend and adopt association Rules and Regulations; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for regular review of Rules and Regulations for completeness and clarity; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for clear, concise and consistent Rules and Regulations on the matter of open fires in campground areas, the Rules Committee submits the following:

VII. USE OF THE CAMPGROUNDS

E. INDIVIDUAL BEHAVIOR

2. Open campfires, or fire pits in the campground area, are prohibited prior to 4:00 PM, at any time between February 15 and April 30, and during specified periods as identified by the Commonwealth of Virginia or the LOWA General Manager. Campfires are considered an open air fire or pit fire and are permitted if the fire is continuously monitored and completely enclosed with a metal ring. Extra precautions should be taken to clear a 20-foot circle of all flammable materials and have water and/or a shovel available.

a. Open and/or charcoal fires in a LOWA park area shall be permitted in LOWA furnished grills, or a resident’s personal table top fire pit or table top grill.

X. USE OF THE LAKES

C. WATER SPORTS ACTIVITIES

4. LOWA BEACHES

e. Open and/or charcoal fires shall be permitted in LOWA furnished, grills, or a resident’s personal table top fire pit or table top grill.

XVI. ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL AND CONSTRUCTION PROCEDURES

D. SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLINGS

4. Other Construction Requirements:

p. All fire pits which are to be installed on any LOWA lot must be approved by the ECC. Design, location, and type of materials must be included with the ECC application. The fire pit shall be
surrounded on the outside, above ground, by a non-combustible material. The fire pit must not exceed four (4) feet in diameter including the outer wall surrounding the pit, shall not exceed 9" in height above ground, and must have a ¼" opening grate for the pit when in use. Use of cooking grills, portable or tabletop fire pits and/or chimineas are not included in the above restrictions.

G. CULVERTS, DRIVEWAYS, SITE CLEARING AND GRADING

3. Site Clearing and Grading:

d. Open burning, including but not limited to the burning of lumber, pallets, scrap wood, leaves, yard waste, garbage and similar items, as well as warming fires, is prohibited.

Effective: Immediately

LAKE OF THE WOODS ASSOCIATION, INC.

By:  

[Signature]

J. Michael Rugless, President

ATTEST:

I, as Secretary for Lake of the Woods Association, Inc., hereby attest that the foregoing Policy Resolution 2015-5 was adopted by the Board of Directors at a duly-held and noticed Board of Directors meeting held on the 20 day of May 2015.

[Signature]

Louisa Rucker, Secretary