

WAYLAND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Swim Tests and PFDs for Campers

at freshwater beaches

-- CHRISTIAN'S LAW DISCLAIMER---

A Massachusetts General Law (M.G.L.) c. 111, §127A½, commonly referred to as "Christian's Law", and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health's (Department) issued guidance on Christian's Law, the Department has promulgated regulation 105 CMR 432.000: "Minimum Requirements for Personal Flotation Devices for Minor Children at Municipal and Recreational Programs and Camps", effective May 5, 2017.

I understand swimming ability assessments/tests shall be conducted under close supervision and without the use of a Personal Flotation Device (PFD).

Yes

I understand if my child does not pass the administered swim test, s/he will be classified as an 'at-risk swimmer' or 'non-swimmer' and s/he must wear a PFD into all areas of Lake Cochituate and or open water of field trips. If s/he refuses, opts out of, or does not want to wear a PFD, s/he will not be allowed to swim.

Yes

I understand Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs) provided by a parent or guardian need to be U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) certified according to type (I, II, III), size, and buoyancy, in serviceable condition and properly fitted to each individual prior to being used for the first time. The PFD provided must be labeled with the swimmers name and an emergency phone number. The PFD must not have inflatable parts.

Yes

I understand if, at any time, the PFD provided by a parent or guardian is determined to not be properly fitting the swimmer, or is damaged or otherwise not in serviceable condition Wayland Recreation shall immediately notify the parent or legal guardian who provided the PFD. In such case, the minor shall not be allowed to participate in any swimming/bathing activity pending verbal permission from the parent/legal guardian for the minor to be properly fit tested for a PFD provided by the municipal or recreational program or camp. Any verbal permission shall be subsequently documented in writing within 24 hours, and, at a minimum, provide the date, time, number (if applicable) and name of the parent/guardian who provided permission.

Yes

PARENT SIGNATURE

DATE

CAMPERS NAME, AGE

WAYLAND TOWN BEACH SWIM TEST One attempt per day.

1. Jump in the water feet first off the dock, completely submerge.
2. Swim continuously for approx. 50 meters from one side of dock to other, without touching dock or bottom.
3. Tread water for 1 minute.