



Keep all pee & poop out of the ponds - they supply nutrients which encourage the spread of invasive plants and harmful microbes (such as *E. coli* and Cyanobacteria).

Keep dogs, other pets, and horses away from the ponds.

Go to the bathroom before swimming.

Use well-fitting swim diapers on babies.

Take care not to trample plants along pond trails and shorelines

Use only established trails when walking or biking around the ponds.

Stay off vegetated banks and borders - to minimize erosion and storm runoff.

Keep chairs, paddle boards, and other items off shoreline plants.

Enjoy pond wildlife by watching and observing

Disturbing, feeding, and handling animals and birds can harm them.

Leave no trace

Carry out all trash including cigarette butts.

Keep soaps, detergents, and other man-made chemicals out of the ponds.

Take the Pond Pledge

Avoid chemical fertilizers and pesticides.

Commit to using household cleaners without phosphates.

Service septic systems regularly.

**With a Clean, Light Touch
We Can Take Good Care of Our Ponds**