

For Office Use Only:						
Application Approved Date	Construction Permit Number	Construction Permit Expires	Work Began On	Work Completed On	Use Permit Date	Use Permit Number

Name of Property Owner(s) Property Subdivision and Lot Number

Physical Address of Construction

Billing Address City, ST, ZIP

E-Mail Address Phone Number

In consideration of the payment in advance of a non-refundable application fee, in the amount of \$33.00 and the representations set forth in this application, the provisions of which are made a part hereof, a construction permit is hereby requested by Permittee as follows:

<b>A permit to place a pier, dock, boathouse, or other installation on Authority-owned property as described to the right. Attach all the documents below:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Both pages of this application <input type="checkbox"/> Construction plans (to scale) <input type="checkbox"/> Plan showing location of pier/boathouse in relation to property lines <input type="checkbox"/> Materials specifications <input type="checkbox"/> Contractors page <input type="checkbox"/> Non-refundable application fee	<b>Length of pier/dock</b> REQUESTED: _____ ALLOWED: _____
	<b>Square footage of boathouse</b> REQUESTED: _____ ALLOWED: _____
	<b>Type of Pier/Boathouse Construction</b> ___ ADD TO EXISTING ___ NEW ___ REPLACE EXISTING

The Permittee shall indemnify and hold harmless the Authority for any damages, costs, and charges to which Permittee or Authority may be subject or which Permittee or Authority may have to pay by any reason whatsoever, including but not limited to any injury to any person or property, or loss of life or property suffered or sustained by any person whatsoever arising out of the activities here permitted; Permittee shall, at his sole expense, assume the defense of any and all claims and actions for damages arising out of any and all injuries which may be brought against the Authority by third persons, and shall pay any and all judgments that may be rendered on such actions.

It is agreed that the Authority does not take any responsibility for protecting the Permittee's property nor guarantee that said property will not be used by others persons in the absence of Permittee. It being expressly intended that the Authority assumes absolutely no responsibility for the conduct of the activities herein permitted which shall be at the sole risk of the Permittee.

This Permit is granted upon the express condition and understanding that the Permittee shall conduct the permitted activities in the manner and in accordance with the mandate set forth in the rules and regulations of Athens Municipal Water Authority, and State and federal laws, pertaining to such activities as well as all rules and regulations pertaining to Lake Athens and that any breach of any rules and regulations shall automatically void this permit and any further activities by Permittee shall be deemed in violation of the penal resolutions providing a penalty for the failure to obtain a permit for the activities hereby permitted. Permittee agrees to observe and abide by all applicable Federal, State and Local laws, ordinances and regulations pertaining to the activities herein permitted and nothing contained herein shall be construed as alleviating the Permittee of any responsibility to obtain any permit, license or other approval required in connection with the activities herein permitted.

Four (4) construction inspections are required during this process: (1) Meeting with the owner/contractor prior to construction, (2) Length/location inspection once posts have been driven, (3) Size inspection once deck stringers and boards have been secured, (2) Final inspection upon completion.

Applicant and/or contractor must call the inspector to schedule an inspection, at a minimum of twenty-four (24) business hours prior to the needed inspection. The contractor may not move to the next phase of construction until the inspection is completed (i.e. may not apply stringers/deck boards, until the post placement has been inspected). Inspection are scheduled at the convenience of the inspector.

A pier or boathouse is not deemed usable until a final inspection has been completed. As such, no boats, personal water craft, deck furniture, etc. may be placed on/in the pier or boathouse until the final inspection has been completed and a use permit has been issued. Once a use permit has been issued, it must be visibly displayed at the end of the pier/boathouse farthest from shore.

Applications for construction permits will not be considered if submitted incorrectly or are incomplete. Applications for construction permits will not be considered for those with a past due balance or do not have an active account with the Authority.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

- I, the property owner, agree to the terms and conditions contained here-in.
- I, the property owner, have read and understand the Rules & Regulations Governing Lake Athens, as they pertain to this application.
- I, the property owner, have accurately represented the length, size, and location of this boathouse, including but not limited to all boat slips, walkways, closets, personal watercraft lifts/floats, and any other apparatus that may be present over the waters of Lake Athens or on Authority property.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Property Owner/Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Construction Permit Approved by Authority/Title

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<b>PRE-CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION/MEETING</b>		___ PASS	___ FAIL
DATE	TIME	INSPECTOR	
NOTES/ DEFICIENCIES			
SIGNATURE			

<b>LENGTH/POLE PLACEMENT INSPECTION</b>		___ PASS	___ FAIL
DATE	TIME	INSPECTOR	
<input type="checkbox"/> Support posts have been driven to the length specified in the permit application <input type="checkbox"/> Support posts are of an allowed material <input type="checkbox"/> Conforms to the location specified in application			
NOTES/ DEFICIENCIES			
SIGNATURE			

<b>SIZE INSPECTION</b>		___ PASS	___ FAIL
DATE	TIME	INSPECTOR	
<input type="checkbox"/> Pier/Boathouse appears to conform to the size in the permit application <input type="checkbox"/> Deck/stringers made of an allowed material <input type="checkbox"/> Conforms to the location specified in application			
NOTES/ DEFICIENCIES			
SIGNATURE			

<b>FINAL INSPECTION</b>		___ PASS	___ FAIL
DATE	TIME	INSPECTOR	
<input type="checkbox"/> Photo-cell light (piers/boathouses >50' length) <input type="checkbox"/> 30" Handrails (for upper sun decks) <input type="checkbox"/> Suitable Reflectors <input type="checkbox"/> Floating Docks (if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Single Story/Single Story with Sun Deck <input type="checkbox"/> Constructed as specified in application <input type="checkbox"/> Conforms to the size/length specified in the application including personal water craft/jet-skis			
NOTES/ DEFICIENCIES			
SIGNATURE			

Contractor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I, the contractor listed above, will be performing the worked below, on Lake Athens.

- PIERS & BOATHOUSES**
- DREDGING & EXCAVATION**
- RETAINING WALLS**
- AQUATIC VEGETATION REMOVAL**
- OTHER**

Property Owner	Property Description	Permit App. No.
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As the contractor, I understand that I, and any of my crew members, shall conduct the permitted activities in the manner and in accordance with the mandate set forth in the rules and regulations of the Athens Municipal Water Authority, the permit of the Authority, and local, State and federal laws, pertaining to such activities as well as all rules and regulations pertaining to Lake Athens.

Any breach of any rules and regulations shall automatically void the construction permit and may result in my being prohibited from any other construction projects on any property owned by the Athens Municipal Water Authority, including but not limited to the shores of Lake Athens.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Contractor

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Approved by/Title of the Authority

*\*\*A separate Contractor information page is required for each contracting company working on every project on Athens Municipal Water Authority Property and/or Lake Athens.*

1. **AREA.** No pier or boathouse shall contain more than the ratio of eight (8) square feet per linear foot of the adjacent property owner's shoreline. The area measurement shall exclude a walkway not to exceed five (5) feet in width leading to the structure. Jet Ski docks and/or platform square footage shall be calculated and considered as part of the boathouse and dock square footage allotment.

2. **LENGTH.** a) A pier or boathouse located on Lake Athens may extend (for the purpose of achieving forty-eight (48") inches of water depth at the end of same) into the lake from the shoreline a distance of up to sixty (60) feet. Notwithstanding the aforementioned, no pier or boathouse may occupy more than one-third (1/3) of any channel width and in no case will any part of the structure come within ten (10) feet of the centerline of the channel (the end of the channel being the exception). b) Any person seeking to extend a pier or boathouse more than sixty (60) feet from the shoreline must apply for a variance. c) All existing piers or boathouses and all piers or boathouses constructed after the date of this resolution more than fifty (50) feet from the shoreline shall install, maintain, and operate a photo-cell light at the outermost portion of the pier or boathouse.

3. **HEIGHT.** No boathouse shall be taller than a standard one-story structure, plus an open sun deck.

4. **MATERIALS.** All piers or boathouses shall be constructed of cedar, redwood, treated wood, steel materials, or other materials with a demonstrated long life expectancy.

5. **LOCATION.** No pier or boathouse (or any part thereof) may be located closer than fifteen (15) feet to a property line or the extension of a property line into the lake, either in the same vertical plane or perpendicular to the Shoreline, without a variance granted by the Board.

6. **SAFETY.** All piers or boathouses shall have suitable reflectors which shall be mounted on the structure at the farthest point from the shoreline. The reflector shall be a minimum of 2.5 inches in diameter. No pier or boathouse shall constitute, in any reasonable manner, a safety hazard.

7. **ENCLOSURES.** All enclosed boathouses shall be approved by the Board.

8. **MAINTENANCE.** a) All piers and boathouses shall be properly maintained. b) The Authority may undertake to remove any pier or boathouse that may be considered, in the sole judgment of the Authority, to be a threat to the public safety or which creates a nuisance to the property owners surrounding the Lake. c) When any pier or boathouse is to be removed and/or destroyed by the Authority, the Authority shall notify the adjacent land owner within twenty (20) days thereof, by certified mail, return receipt requested, at the last known address of the record owner of such adjacent owner that such pier or boathouse will be removed and/or destroyed. The notice shall further state that the failure of the owner to repair the pier or boathouse to the satisfaction of the Authority or to remove the pier or boathouse themselves shall be deemed a waiver by the owner of all right, title, and interest in the pier or boathouse and their consent to the removal and/or destruction of said structure. d) The cost of removal and/or destruction of any pier or boathouse by the Authority shall be a penalty against the owner of the property adjacent to the Authority Property on which the pier or boathouse is located.

9. **FLOATING PIERS OR DOCKS.** All floating docks, ramps or boathouses shall be of a manufactured polyethylene construction. Weight capacity shall be a minimum of 108 pounds per cubic foot and structure shall meet or exceed Texas Parks & Wildlife specifications on structures used in State Parks.

10. **PERMITTING PROCEDURE.** a) Anyone desiring to build a pier or boathouse shall make a written application to the Board for a Pier or Boathouse Permit. The application shall be accompanied by: 1) A drawing, to scale, showing the applicant's lot with its boundary lines, the shoreline, and the proposed location of the pier or boathouse; and, in the event that the drawing is not adequate, the Board may require a plat by a licensed surveyor showing those items specified above; 2) Names and current mailing addresses of each abutting landowner; and 3) Material specifications.

b) After the Board has reviewed and accepted the application, the applicant shall be notified to appear before the Board to present said plans and application. If the plans and application meet the Board's criteria, the Board may grant a permit for the construction of the structure. c) The construction permit shall have a term commencing on the day the Board grants the construction permit and terminates 90 days thereafter. d) Once construction is completed, the applicant must obtain a permit for the structure. The structure permit may be obtained only after inspection by a person designated by the Board, and the Board is satisfied said structure meets its criteria. The Permittee shall display the label, tag, or other evidence provided by the Authority in a visible location to demonstrate the fact that the structure has been permitted and the permit is up-to-date. e) No permit will be issued for any reason, if the applicant has a past due account balance with the Authority.

11. **NUMBER.** There shall only be one pier or one boathouse per lot.

12. **FEES.** The Authority shall charge an annual fee for all piers or boathouses. The fees may be set in accordance with a graduated scale as per pier or boathouse square footage, or any other reasonable standard adopted by the Authority.

13. **PRIOR PIERS OR BOATHOUSES.** a) Piers or boathouses constructed prior to the enactment of these Rules and Regulations and which have been permitted by the Authority shall not be subject to this article, except as to this Article's paragraphs 5, 7, 11 and 13. All piers and boathouses constructed prior to the enactment of these Rules and Regulations and which were not permitted or the permit was not renewed shall be subject to this article. b) Floating piers or docks constructed prior to the enactment of these Rules and Regulations and to which a permit has been issued shall be allowed except that in the event of substantial repair or alteration, a new permit must be applied for same.

14. **VARIANCES.** Variances on piers and boathouses shall require written response from adjoining property owners prior to ruling by Board of Directors.