

# Renting Your Cottage?

It's in your best interest to protect your investment and your lake.

Here are 3 simple suggestions:


## 1. Ensure that you do not have an overcapacity crowd in your cottage

Capacity = # of bedrooms X 2

For example: A 3 bedroom cottage should not have more than 6 overnight occupants. If you have more people than that = Raw sewage enters your tile bed and the water table = you have to replace your tile bed costing thousands of \$ and your lake becomes polluted.

## 2. Post the C.H.A. Rental Posters in the kitchen, wash-room, laundry room and garbage areas

Help your guests who may not be used to lake life and septic systems with practical tips:

Laundry	Bathroom	Garbage Disposal	Kitchen
 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>DON'T</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>X Do more than 1 laundry load per day.</li><li>X Use chlorine bleach.</li><li>X Take a shower or bath the same time as doing laundry.</li><li>X Use Liquid Fabric Softener</li></ul></li><li><b>DO</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Use washing pods or oxygen bleach instead of chlorine bleach.</li><li>✓ Use biodegradable, phosphate free detergents.</li><li>✓ Use peroxide stain removers.</li><li>✓ Wait for laundry load to finish before draining a bath or taking a shower.</li></ul></li></ul> <p><small>*No amount of hot water will ever get into the septic system. It is a closed system. Only the volume of water and waste from the washer or dryer is sent to the septic tank. <b>Full bedrooms x 2 people = capacity.</b> <b>Use hot water and soap sparingly or cold laundry.</b> <b>Use less detergent than your label, but also help to keep the septic system healthy.</b></small></p> <p>Protect Our Lakes.</p> 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>DON'T</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>X Use automatic toilet flush showers.</li><li>X Use anti-bacterial hand soap.</li><li>X Do your razor, tooth, hair, soap (even one matter "natural") or feminine products (no tampons) down the toilet.</li><li>X Put anything down the toilet other than toilet waste and toilet paper.</li></ul></li><li><b>DO</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Use non-antibacterial soap.</li><li>✓ Use biodegradable cleaners (phosphate and chlorine free).</li><li>✓ Use period underwear.</li><li>✓ Use the amount of toilet paper used.</li><li>✓ Conserve water to avoid overflow to septic system.</li></ul></li></ul> <p><small>*Septic systems need to be properly flushed, that will natural solids are not needed. <b>Full bedrooms x 2 people = capacity.</b> <b>Use hot water and soap sparingly or cold laundry.</b> <b>Use less detergent than your label, but also help to keep the septic system healthy.</b></small></p> <p>Protect Our Lakes!</p> 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>DON'T</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>X Burn garbage.</li><li>X Feed wildlife.</li><li>X Leave garbage outside, unless in an airtight-proof container.</li><li>X Leave any scented products outdoors.</li><li>X Leave pet food outside.</li></ul></li><li><b>DO</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Reduce, reuse, recycle!</li><li>✓ Rinse out bottles, jars and containers before putting them in the recycling bin.</li><li>✓ Check local dump hours to dispose of waste.</li><li>✓ Pick up pet waste using a biodegradable bag.</li></ul></li></ul> <p><small>*Wild animals cannot depend on you for their food source. Please do not feed, molest or molest your garbage outside. <b>Recycling is mandatory in Haliburton County.</b></small></p> <p>Protect Our Lakes</p> 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>DON'T</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>X Use anti-bacterial products as the septic system needs bacteria.</li><li>X Pour fats, oils and grease down the drain.</li><li>X Use chlorine bleach.</li><li>X Use chemical drain openers/cleaners</li></ul></li><li><b>DO</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Use phosphate free cleaning products.</li><li>✓ Wash dishes with phosphate free detergents.</li><li>✓ Rin the dishwasher, only when completely full.</li><li>✓ Use Eco-Enic-Sepic Treatment to keep drains running well.</li></ul></li></ul> <p><small>*Any product that has any non-biodegradable or hazardous ingredient or is not biodegradable should generally be avoided. <b>Use a cup before emptying it into the septic system.</b> <b>Use hot water and soap sparingly.</b></small></p> <p>Protect Our Lakes.</p> 

## 3. Let your renters know that you are part of a lake community

Many people come to the lake for the peace and tranquility – ask them, kindly, that they respect this fact – particularly after dark.

Happy renters, Happy you and Happy lake!