

Ministry of Natural Resources
LAKE SIMCOE ICE FISHING HUT REGISTRATION
(South and East Side only)
AURORA DISTRICT

Registration numbers are assigned by the Ministry of Natural Resources, Aurora District subject to the following conditions:

- 1 The assigned registration number must be displayed on the outside of the hut preferably on the door in numerals not less than 2% inches (6.5 centimeters) and in a contrasting colour.
- 2 All huts must be removed from the lake by the required date (March 15th) as stated in the Recreational Fishing Regulations Summary.
3. Annual renewal of ice hut registration is not required. Should ownership of the hut be transferred or if you move, please advise the Ministry of Natural Resources, Aurora District within 10 days (telephone: 905-713-7400), as you are responsible for your hut registration until it is cancelled.
4. Should your hut become missing or stolen from the lake, contact the Aurora MNR office and the local police to file a report immediately.
5. There is no fee for ice fishing hut registration.

PLACING YOUR HUT ON THE ICE

- 1 Once you have selected a location for your hut, it is strongly recommended that you place your hut on wood blocks, to keep it approximately 6 inches off the surface. You will find that if your hut sits directly upon the ice surface, the ice will slowly melt and freeze on to the hut, making removal difficult.
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2. If snow conditions permit, you should secure and insulate by packing snow completely around the base of the hut. With the wind-swept conditions on the lake, this may not be possible, so you should anchor your hut into the ice with a rope or chain.
3. To avoid your hut becoming frozen in when flooding or slushy conditions develop, it may be necessary to move it to a new location periodically throughout the winter.
4. Make regular checks of your ice hut to ensure it stays on the blocks. Remember a change in weather conditions (rain, increase in temperature) can drastically alter the condition of the hut.

Following these tips may make the removal of your hut at the end of the season easier.

GARBAGE

Garbage is sometimes a problem. These tips can help with the problem.

- 1 Keep the area round your hut clear of garbage, bottles, etc.
2. At the end of the day, take your garbage home with you.
3. If you see any garbage left on the ice, please take a minute and clean it up before you leave the area.

BAITFISH

- 1 To avoid transfer of non-native baitfish, please use only baitfish sold around the Lake Simcoe watershed.
2. Do not dump left over baitfish down your hole at the end of a day's fishing. This too, may spread exotic species into the lake.

For more information on Ice Fishing at Lake Simcoe, please contact the Ministry of Natural Resources, Aurora District, 905-713-7400.

Thank you.