

Vermont Lake Wise

Lake Property Owners, Lake Associations, Summer Camps, and State Parks

If you are interested in bringing the Lake Wise Program to your favorite lake, and/or would like to participate as a Lake Wise Leader, then please contact: Amy Picotte, at Amy.Picotte@vermont.gov or tel. 802-490-6128



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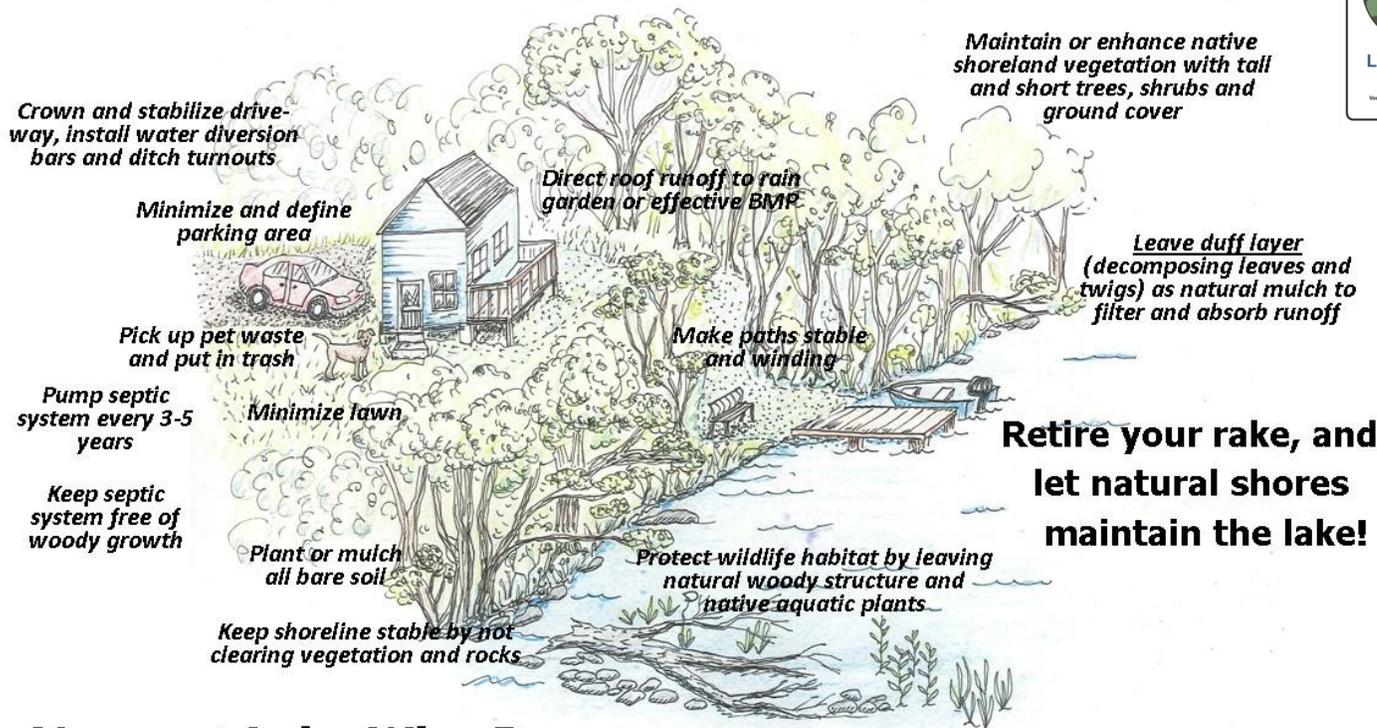
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Lake Wise is a Vermont Agency of Natural Resources program that awards lake-friendly shoreland property. A property that earns the Lake Wise Award represents a “model” shoreland property. The Lake Wise Award certifies a property is well managed, using shoreland Best Management Practices, and is protecting the lake water quality and habitat.

Lake Wise Leaders are local, volunteer Lake Wise contacts. A Leader’s job is to encourage shoreland owners to use better management practices and to earn the Lake Wise Award. Lake Wise Leaders conduct preliminary assessments of interested shoreland property owners on their lake to advise them of what needs to be done, if anything, before the official *Lake Wise Evaluator* is called out to assess the property.

Take advantage of free technical assistance through the Lake Wise Program and have your shoreland property assessed for controlling runoff and preventing erosion. The Lake Wise Program offers solutions - Best Management Practices - for managing shoreland property and making it lake-friendly for all. Most of the property improvements can be done by the landowners themselves. Learn how simple it is to live Lake Wisely!

This Property is Lake Wise! Typical of many Vermont lakeshore homes, this house was built too close to the lake to allow for the best standard of lake protection -- a 100 foot wide vegetated shore -- but fortunately, this landowner is using all the lake friendly practices below to protect the lake.



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