

# Frequently Asked Questions about LakeSmart

## What is LakeSmart?

LakeSmart is an education and reward program for lakefront home owners who maintain their property in ways that protect lake property values, water quality and wildlife.

## What Does It Cost?

Nothing.

## How long does a LakeSmart evaluation take?

The LakeSmart visit takes less than an hour. You will receive information about lake-friendly land practices. You will be contacted after the visit if you qualify for a Commendation or the prestigious LakeSmart Award.

## How Can I Participate?

LakeSmart is entirely voluntary. Call Pemaquid Watershed Association to arrange a LakeSmart visit from one or two of our trained volunteers. They will come to your home to assess your property in four different categories: Driveway/parking areas; Structures/septic system; Yard; and Shoreline/water access. You could receive a Certificate of Commendation and helpful suggestions to make recommended improvements to achieve the award. If your property scores well in all four categories, you will be given the LakeSmart Award, a handsome blue and white sign(s) for posting at lakefront and/or roadside.

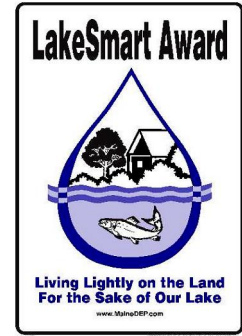
## What's the Bottom Line for LakeSmart?

- High property values
- Clean, clear, healthy water
- Abundant wildlife on land and in the water
- Outstanding recreational opportunities
- Awareness of Best Practices in water quality management

## Thank You for Caring About Our Lakes!

**LakeSmart is a Program of the Maine Lakes Society - <http://mainelakessociety.org>**

*LakeSmart is one of the most effective lake protection programs available today. It recognizes waterfront homeowners who use natural landscaping strategies to protect the health of their lake.*



## For a LakeSmart evaluation on your Lake or Pond Contact:

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