



## **LIABILITY DISCLAIMER**

The Municipality of the County of Annapolis does not have control over the canoe routes, portages or wilderness tent areas listed in this guide, and therefore assumes no responsibility for the safety of the canoeist paddling the route, walking the portage, or using the wilderness tent areas.

We recommend that users approach all canoe routes and wilderness tent areas in a safe and responsible manner, and conduct visual inspections whenever possible and practical. Conditions can change through fluctuating water levels, addition of natural debris, and commercial logging activity. As we are not the owners of any of these lands or routes, any special arrangements must be made directly with the owners and you are accountable to them for any damage, loss or other problems that you may cause.

Although the information in this guide is believed to be accurate, we assume no liability for any errors or omissions that may exist, or for changes that may have occurred on the routes after the publication of this guide.

We recommend, as a supplement to the information herein, that you use Natural Resources Canada 1:50 000 topographical series maps of the general canoe routes.

Annapolis County Recreation Services requests that you read the sections on Safety, Equipment, Trip Planning and Wilderness Ethics before you travel on the lakes and waterways of the region. Always tell someone where you are going and when you are returning. Please be aware that many portages /canoe carries are not marked.



Please follow the principles of the Annapolis County Back Country Watch Program:  
**Keep a Watchful Eye on Our Wilderness and Help Keep It Clean !**

**Pack It In and Pack It Out!  
Conserve, Protect and Respect**

Cloud Lake offers the paddler a wilderness experience within one of Nova Scotia's wilderness protected areas. A large lake, it possesses a number of islands and interesting geography that can be a challenge to novice paddlers, so be prepared for basic navigation. Access can be found at the public landing at the Northeast Arm of Cloud Lake.

Cloud Lake straddles the borders of Annapolis and Kings Counties and the surrounding land is designated as one of Nova Scotia's 31 protected wilderness areas. The use of motorized boats is prohibited on the waterways within the wilderness area. For more information on the province's wilderness areas, refer to the web site listed below.

**Length:** 5 km  
**Time:** 1 day

**Approach:** From Middleton, travel east on Highway No.1 to Wilmot. Turn right (SOUTH) at Wilmot onto the Old Mill Road, and then turn right (SOUTH) again onto the Torbrook Road. Follow the Torbrook Road south and westerly, through Meadowvale and Torbrook Mines, to an intersection and the Torbrook United Baptist Church. Turn left (SOUTHEAST) onto the East Torbrook Road. Follow this road easterly to the "Charlton Farm" (there is a "Charmine Holsteins" sign on the right (SOUTH) side of the road, and there are two huge cement silos located on the left (NORTH) side of the road, opposite the farmhouse.

Continue past the Charleton Farm silos for approximately 0.3 km to a gravel road, known as the "Fire Lane", on the right (SOUTH) side of the East Torbrook Road. The Fire Lane is not posted, but does have a stop sign facing south at its intersection with the East Torbrook Road.

Turn right (SOUTH) and travel 14.4 km along the Fire Lane, past the DND Camp road and the Annapolis/Kings County boundary, until you reach a 'Y' in the road. Turn right and travel approximately 400m. Turn right (SOUTH) again and travel approximately 300m to the public landing and the Northeast Arm of Cloud Lake.

If you have a GPS unit, refer to the following:  
*UTM Northing 4970809.3 Easting 352153.7*  
or refer to Energy, Mines & Resources Canada 1:50 000 topographic map 21A/15.

**Parking:** Cloud Lake Public Landing  
**Landmarks:** 1. Torbrook United Baptist Church  
2. Charlton Farm ("Charmine Holsteins" sign), two large cement silos on left  
3. DND Camp sign and road

**Route Classification:** Novice  
**Portage information:** No portaging required

**NS Department of Environment and Labour Protected Areas Branch Website:**  
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/enla/pareas/index.htm>

This website features more than 70 pages of information on all of Nova Scotia's wilderness areas (including Cloud Lake WA), nature reserves and heritage rivers, as well as private land stewardship initiatives of the Branch.

