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2013 CALENDAR

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Local Area Events

JANUARY

Bridal Expo | La Crosse
Gun Show | La Crosse
Midwest Farm Show | La Crosse
Winter Rec Fest | La Crosse

FEBRUARY

Ice Fishing Contest | Mondovi
Tuna Hotdish Smackdown | Stockholm

MARCH

Alma Fireman's Chili Feed
Spring Equinox Festival | Stockholm
Stockholm St. Patrick's Day Parade

APRIL

100 Mile Garage Sale | Throughout the Area
Lefse Time Anniversary Event | Fountain City
Easter Egg Hunt | Alma
Flood Run | Alma
Alma Ice Break
Village Wide Rummage Sale | Trempealeau

Local Area Events

MAY

100 Mile Garage Sale | Throughout the Area
Great River Birding & Nature Festival | Alma
Broiler Days | Arcadia
Memorial Ride | Arcadia
Louella Blackdeer Fun Run | Black River Falls
Memorial Day Pow-Wow | Black River Falls
Kids with Cancer Event | Osseo
Fresh Art Spring Tour | Pepin
Blues Bash | Trempealeau
Hipbreaker Bike Tour | Trempealeau
Reggae Fest | Trempealeau

JUNE

Summer Festival | Alma
Strawberry Festival | Alma Center
Durand Funfest
Bass Tournament | Fountain City
Music in the Park | Pepin
Tour de Pepin | Pepin
Catfish Days | Trempealeau

JULY

Pepin County Junior Fair | Arkansaw
Festival in the Park | Black River Falls
Karner Blue Butterfly Festival | Black River Falls
NTPA Regional Tractor Pull | Ettrick
Trempealeau County Fair | Galesville
Mondovi Friendship Days
Stockholm Art Fair

AUGUST

Alma Rod & Gun Club Horse Pull
Blues on the Chippewa | Durand
Car Show and Cruise | Durand
Ettrick Fun Days
Lions Fall Festival | Fountain City
Polka Fest | Fountain City
Team Bass & Walleye Tournament | Fountain City
Buffalo County Fair | Mondovi

SEPTEMBER

Alma Music & Art Festival
Taste of Durand Fall Festival
Old Time Farm Fest | Fountain City
City-Wide Garage Sale | Galesville
Rocco's Memorial Gun Show | Onalaska
Lake Pepin Food, Wine & Cider Festival | Pepin
Laura Ingalls Wilder Days | Pepin
Village Wide Rummage Sale | Trempealeau

OCTOBER

Alma Area Museum Quilt Show
Haunted Halloween Walk | Alma
Apple Affair | Galesville
Apple Affair Bike Tour | Galesville
Fall Fresh Art Tour | Pepin
Fields of Terror | Pepin
Flyway Film Festival | Pepin

NOVEMBER

Tundra Swan Watch | Alma
Holiday Fair | La Crosse
Thanksgiving Day Community Dinner | La Crosse

DECEMBER

Holiday House Walk | Alma
Hometown Holiday with Santa | Alma
Durand Dazzle Day
Illuminated Parade | Durand
Stockholm Country Christmas

Residential Services

BUFFALO COUNTY

Aging & Disability	(608) 685-6324
Child Support	685-6322
Clerk Of Court	685-6212
Coroner	685-4433
Corporation Counsel	685-6236
County Clerk	685-6209
Court Administration	685-6234
District Attorney	685-6236
Emergency Management	685-6298
Extension	685-6256
Health & Human Services	685-4412
Highway	685-6226
Historical Society	685-6290
Land Conservation	685-6261
Land Information Services	685-6285
Maintenance.....	685-6220
Natural Resources	685-6224
Recycling	685-6298
Register of Deeds	685-6230
Register of Probate	685-6202
Sheriff.....	685-4433
Surveyor	685-6232
Treasurer.....	685-6215
Veterans Services	685-6219
Zoning	685-6218

Residential Services

TREMPEALEAU COUNTY

Aging & Disability	(715) 538-2001
Child Support	538-2311 Ext. 312
Circuit Court.....	538-2311 Ext. 5
Corporation Counsel	538-2311 Ext. 245
County Clerk	538-2311 Ext. 201
Emergency Management	538-2311 Ext. 215
Extension	538-2311 Ext. 208
Information Systems	538-2311 Ext.334
District Attorney	538-2311 Ext.279
Human Resources	538-2311 Ext.224
Land Management	538-2311 Ext.223
Land Records	538-2311 Ext.343
Maintenance	538-2311 Ext.282
Public Health	538-2311 Ext. 6
Register of Deeds	538-2311 Ext. 244
Senior Services	538-2311 Ext. 250
Sheriff.....	538-4509
Treasurer	538-2311 Ext. 219
Veterans Services	538-2311 Ext. 217

PEPIN COUNTY

Child Support	(715) 672-8941
Circuit Court	672-8861
County Clerk	672-8857
District Attorney	672-8939
Economic Development	672-5709
Extension Office	672-5214
Health Department	672-5961
Highway Office	672-8171
Human Services	672-8941
Land Conservation	672-8665
Natural Resources	672-8476
Recycling	672-8704
Register of Deeds	672-8856
Sheriff.....	672-5944
Treasurer.....	672-8677
Veterans Services	672-8887

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Buffalo County History (Alma, County Seat)

The first settlement in Buffalo County was in Fountain City in 1839. Before white settlers arrived, the area was inhabited by Dakota and Sioux Indians. Many early settlers were attracted to the abundance of trees for timber. The lumber industry became very prosperous in the county and aided the arrival of railroads and steamboat traffic on the Mississippi River. With the decline of the lumber industry towards the end of the 1800s agriculture became very prominent and was the largest industry in the county. Wheat was the main crop, making Buffalo County one of the largest exporters of wheat in Wisconsin. By 1900 Buffalo County had a population of 16,765 people. Today Buffalo County is home to approximately 13,425 residents.

CITIES:

ALMA – pop. 869

BUFFALO CITY – pop. 1,013

FOUNTAIN CITY – pop. 992

MONDOVI – pop. 2,561

VILLAGES:

COCHRANE – pop. 390

NELSON – pop. 372

TOWNS:

ALMA – pop. 389

BELVIDERE – pop. 442

BUFFALO – pop. 657

CANTON – pop. 316

CROSS – pop. 378

DOVER – pop. 534

GILMANTON – pop. 472

GLENCOE – pop. 492

LINCOLN – pop. 864

MAXVILLE – pop. 343

MILTON – pop. 518

MODENA – pop. 321

MONDOVI – pop. 453

MONTANA – pop. 314

NAPLES – pop. 591

NELSON – pop. 603

WAUMANDEE – pop. 525

**Populations are approximate.*

Buffalo County Communities

ALMA (COUNTY SEAT)

Alma was first settled in 1848 by two Swiss men who came to the area to cut wood which would be used as fuel for steamboats. They built a shack and decided to stay. The original name for the community was Twelve Mile Bluff because of the steep river bluffs that the city was built under. The name was changed to Alma after the battle on the Alma River in 1854 that took place in Russia and the community was selected as the county seat. Railroads arrived in 1885 and brought larger populations as well as business and industry. Another large increase in the population came after the U.S. Lock and Dam #4 was built in 1935 and after the Dairyland Power Cooperative plant was established. Today Alma is home to approximately 869 residents.

BUFFALO CITY

Buffalo City was chartered in 1859, making it the oldest incorporated city in Buffalo County. At one time it was the smallest city in the United States. Buffalo City was named after the county as well as after three brothers who raised buffalo on top of the bluffs that overlooks the city. Today Buffalo City is home to approximately 1,013 residents.

FOUNTAIN CITY

Originally named Holmes Landing, Fountain City was the home of the first permanent settlement in Buffalo County in 1839. Holmes Landing was named in honor of a family of the first settlers who often traded with the Sioux and Chippewa Indian tribes. Original industries in the area included timber and farming. The community was incorporated as a city in 1889 and businesses, churches and schools were established. Its name was changed to Fountain City shortly after incorporation because it had many water streams that are found north of the city. Old Time Farm Fest takes place every labor day weekend in the town to celebrate the rich history of agriculture. Today Fountain City is home to approximately 992 residents.

MONDOVI

Mondovi was first settled in 1855 by Harvey P. Farrington, a businessman from the eastern United States. The first store was established shortly after in 1857. The populations increased with the arrival of the railroad to the community. The North Western Line Railroad laid its tracks through the town and established a station. The community was a prosperous railroad community and became an important shipping area for most of the county, this soon led to Mondovi becoming the largest town in the county after its incorporation in 1899. Agriculture also played an important role for the residents of Mondovi. Main crops included, oats barley and wheat. Today Mondovi is home to approximately 2,561 residents.



Trempealeau County History (Whitehall, County Seat)

Trempealeau County's name is derived from the French phrase "La Montagne Qui Trempe Dans L'Eau" which translates to "Mountain that is steeped in Water." The area received its name in 1731 and was based off of the mountain that is found near the village of Trempealeau that is surrounded by water. The first permanent settlers were fur traders who arrived in 1840s looking to establish new trading posts. Early on business and industry revolved around fur trading. Eventually agriculture replaced the trading industry as the largest in the county. By 1900 Trempealeau County had a population of 23,114 people. Today Trempealeau County is home to approximately 27,754 residents.

CITIES:

BLAIR – pop. 1,246

OSSEO – pop. 1,629

VILLAGES:

ETTRICK – pop. 501

PIGEON FALLS – pop. 387

PRESTON – pop. 966

STRUM – pop. 1,024

TREMPEALEAU – pop. 1,518

TOWNS:

ALBION – pop. 670

ARCADIA – pop. 1,693

BURNSIDE – pop. 572

CALEDONIA – pop. 795

CHIMNEY ROCK – pop. 322

DODGE – pop. 439

ELEVA – pop. 637

ETTRICK – pop. 1,377

GALE – pop. 1,511

GALESVILLE – pop. 1,447

HALE – pop. 1,075

INDEPENDENCE – pop. 1,212

LINCOLN – pop. 864

PIGEON – pop. 953

SUMNER – pop. 846

TREMPEALEAU – pop. 1,627

UNITY – pop. 558

WHITEHALL – pop. 1,600

**Populations are approximate.*

Trempealeau County Communities

ARCADIA

Arcadia was founded in 1855 by four men from Dodge County who came looking to set up a new area for trade and business. The community was originally named Bishop's Settlement, after the town's founder. The town was renamed Arcadia after the area had reminded a settler of the mountainous region in Greece by the same name. The railroad was completed in the area in 1873 and with it brought in larger populations of people. One year later the town was officially platted on January 27, 1874. Today Arcadia is home to approximately 1,693 residents.

BLAIR

First known as Porterville, the community was founded on the North Western Line Railroad. Blair was renamed in honor of John Insley Blair of New Jersey who donated \$1,000,000 to the U.S. Government during the Civil War. Blair was known as one of the best shipping towns for its size in the state. The community was incorporated in 1894 and businesses, churches and schools were established. Today Blair is home to approximately 1,246 residents.

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Trempealeau County Communities

DODGE

The community was named for William E. Dodge, a philanthropist and financier who spent many years in New York. The railroads arrived in 1873 bringing in a larger population base as well as new business. The community was established as a busy trading center with agriculture as the main industry. Dodge was later platted on February 24, 1874. Today Dodge is home to approximately 439 residents.

GALESVILLE

Galesville was named in honor of Judge George Gale. The community grew fast and was founded, settled and platted in 1854. Galesville was named the first county seat of Trempealeau County soon after it was platted. The community lost the county seat in 1876 to Whitehall which took away some hotel and legal business. The railroad came through the area in 1883 bringing in larger populations and business continued to thrive. Today Galesville is home to approximately 1,447 residents.

OSSEO

Osseo's name was derived from the Indian word "ossi" which translates to "stone". The name is also featured in the "Song of Hiawatha" and "Osseo the son of the evening star", two songs that were created by Native Americans. The first homes in Osseo were built in 1860, and all the timber for the buildings were made from jack pines native to the area. Early settlers were of Norwegian descent and brought with them a rich heritage to the area. A mill was established soon after settlement and offered jobs for members of the community. A village hall was later built in 1936. Soon after Osseo was incorporated as a city in 1941. The city's Norwegian heritage is still visible today with the celebrating of many Norwegian traditions and festivals. Today Osseo is home to approximately 1,629 residents.

WHITEHALL (COUNTY SEAT)

In 1855 the first pioneers, who were attracted to the ample natural resources, reached the Whitehall area. As rail lines were built in the 1870s, Whitehall was a major stop and the access to transportation appealed to the new settlers. The community was a major trading area in the county thanks to the new busy railroad. The area began to develop and by the 1880s Whitehall housed a mill, tobacco warehouse, a creamery, a pickling station, three elevators, two banks and a newspaper. Whitehall was later incorporated in 1887 and continued to grow. Today Whitehall is home to approximately 1,600 residents.



Pepin County History (Durand, County Seat)

Pepin County was originally inhabited by Dakota Indians who lived in the area for thousands of years before the first European settlers came in the eighteenth and nineteenth century. Originally Pepin County was parts of both Chippewa and Dunn Counties but was later separated on February 25, 1858 when it was created by a special act of the Wisconsin Legislature. Many of the early settlers were attracted to the rich fertile soil that was used for agriculture. Pepin County's proximity to the Mississippi River also was a major attraction that helped draw people to the area. Railroads and steamboat travel helped bring in larger populations to the area making Pepin County an industrial and commercial hub. By 1900 Pepin County had a population of 7,905 residents. Today Pepin County is home to approximately 7,293 residents.

CITIES:

DURAND – pop. 1,859

VILLAGES:

PEPIN – pop. 908

STOCKHOLM – pop. 95

TOWNS:

ALBANY – pop. 662

DURAND – pop. 689

FRANKFORT – pop. 386

LIMA – pop. 758

PEPIN – pop. 608

STOCKHOLM – pop. 82

WATERVILLE – pop. 878

WAUBEEK – pop. 432

**Populations are approximate.*

Pepin County Communities

DURAND (COUNTY SEAT)

Durand was first settled in 1856 when Miles Durand Prindle came up on the Chippewa River. Prindle platted the land and named the city after himself. Populations increased with the arrival of railroads to the area and schools, churches and businesses were established. The first post office was established in 1858 and the community was incorporated as a village in 1871. Eventually Durand was incorporated as a city on April 12, 1887. Durand became the largest wheat growing producer in the area, making it one of the more prosperous communities in the county. A boom in population increased when a steel bridge was constructed in 1902 that crossed the Chippewa River making travel easier for everyone in the community. Today Durand is home to approximately 1,859 residents.

PEPIN

Pepin was first settled in 1846 by two French brothers who were trappers named Pepin. The community was known as a steamboat boom town and was the summer home of wealthy Chicago socialites and famous author Mark Twain. Pepin is also credited as the hometown of Laura Ingalls Wilder, the author of "Little House in the Big Woods" and "Little House on the Prairie". The fishing industry was very prominent for the town. In the 1890s, Pepin would annually bring in \$125,000 to \$250,000 with most of the fish being sent to New York. Today Pepin is home to approximately 908 residents.

STOCKHOLM

Stockholm was first settled in 1852 by Eric Peterson, a farmer who came to the area because of the fertile land for agriculture. The post office was established years later in 1860. The community was incorporated in 1903 and as businesses were established the community continued to grow. Today Stockholm is home to approximately 95 residents.

Parks & Recreation

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TAMARACK CREEK BOG NATURAL AREA

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TIFFANY BOTTOMS WILDLIFE AREA

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TREMPEALEAU NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

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Located on 5,617 acres near Centerville, Trempealeau National Wildlife Refuge offers many opportunities to view wildlife. The refuge features hiking trails, bicycle trails, cross-country ski trails, fishing opportunities, and a public boat launch with parking facilities. Hunting is allowed in the refuge with a special permit. Only hand-powered craft and boats with electric motors can be used in the refuge.

UPPER MISSISSIPPI RIVER NATIONAL WILDLIFE & FISH REFUGE

Onalaska | (608) 783-8405

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Tips on Recycling & Living Greener



Recycle as much as you can. Even simple everyday things, such as plastic bottles and aluminum cans, can make a huge difference.



Switch your incandescent light bulbs to compact fluorescent ones. Save money and energy.



Bring your own reusable shopping bags with you to the supermarket or the mall.



Donate your unwanted clothing to a local charity. Eyeglasses, household items, electronics and even vehicles can be accepted.



Recycle your used ink and toner cartridges. Most office supply stores accept used cartridges.



Recycle your used batteries. This prevents poisonous mercury from seeping into our water supplies and soil. Switch to rechargeable ones.



Switch to unbleached toilet paper, paper towels and coffee filters. Avoiding bleached products can help preserve our water supply and soil.



Unplug any unused appliances. Your cell-phone charger uses electricity, even when your phone isn't charging - especially if you are not going to be home.



Bring your own lunch. You'll avoid using non-recyclable styrofoam to-go containers and unnecessary throw-away packaging.



Start a compost bin in your yard. There are even ones that you can store under your kitchen sink.



Be crafty. Let old items be an inspiration for a craft project and re-purpose old items. Punch holes in tin cans to make candle luminaries or use empty yogurt containers to organize nuts and bolts.



Have a green-cleaning product party. Invite your friends over to make enough vinegar-based homemade cleaners to share.



Run your washer/dryer/dishwasher after 5pm. This is when less electricity is being used, especially in larger cities. In air-conditioned summer months this can help prevent blackouts.

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121 S Main St. | Alma | (608) 685-4859

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36245 Main St. | Whitehall | (608) 323-7744

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Wisconsin Hunting Seasons

WHITE TAILED DEER*

(NON-CWD & NON-METRO UNITS)

Bow: 09/14/13 - 11/21/13; 11/23/13 - 01/05/14

Gun: 11/23/13 - 01/01/13

Muzzleloader: 12/02/13 - 12/11/13

Youth Deer Hunt: 10/05/13 - 10/06/13

Statewide Antlerless Hunt: 12/12/13 - 12/15/13

CWD Holiday Hunt: 12/24/13 - 01/05/14

BLACK BEAR*

Zone C Dogs ARE NOT Permitted: 09/04/13 - 10/08/13

Dogs ARE Permitted: 09/04/13 - 09/10/13;

Dogs, Bait & Other Legal Methods :

09/11/13 - 10/01/13

Dogs NOT Permitted with bait: 10/02/13 - 10/08/13

WILD TURKEY*

Youth Turkey Hunt: 04/06/13 - 04/07/13

Spring: 04/10/13 - 04/16/13; 04/17/13 - 04/23/13;

04/24/13 - 04/30/13; 05/01/13 - 05/07/13;

05/08/13 - 05/14/13; 05/15/13 - 05/21/13

Fall: 09/14/13 - 11/21/13; 12/02/13 - 12/31/13

RING-NECKED PHEASANT

10/19/13 - 12/31/13

RUFFED GROUSE*

Zone A: 09/14/13 - 01/31/14

Zone B: 10/19/13 - 12/08/13

SHARP-TAILED GROUSE

10/19/13 - 11/10/13

BOBWHITE QUAIL

10/19/13 - 12/11/13

HUNGARIAN PARTRIDGE*

10/19/13 - 12/31/13

CROW

01/18/13 - 03/20/13; 09/14/13 - 11/21/13

MOURNING DOVE

09/01/13 - 11/09/13

GRAY & FOX SQUIRRELS

09/14/13 - 01/31/14

COTTONTAIL RABBIT

Northern Zone: 09/14/13 - 02/28/14

Southern Zone: 10/19/13 - 02/28/14

RED & GRAY FOXES

10/19/13 - 02/15/14

COYOTE

Continuous

RACCOON

Resident: 10/19/13 - 02/15/14

Nonresident: 11/02/13 - 02/15/14

WOODCOCK

09/21/13 - 11/04/13

CANADA GOOSE

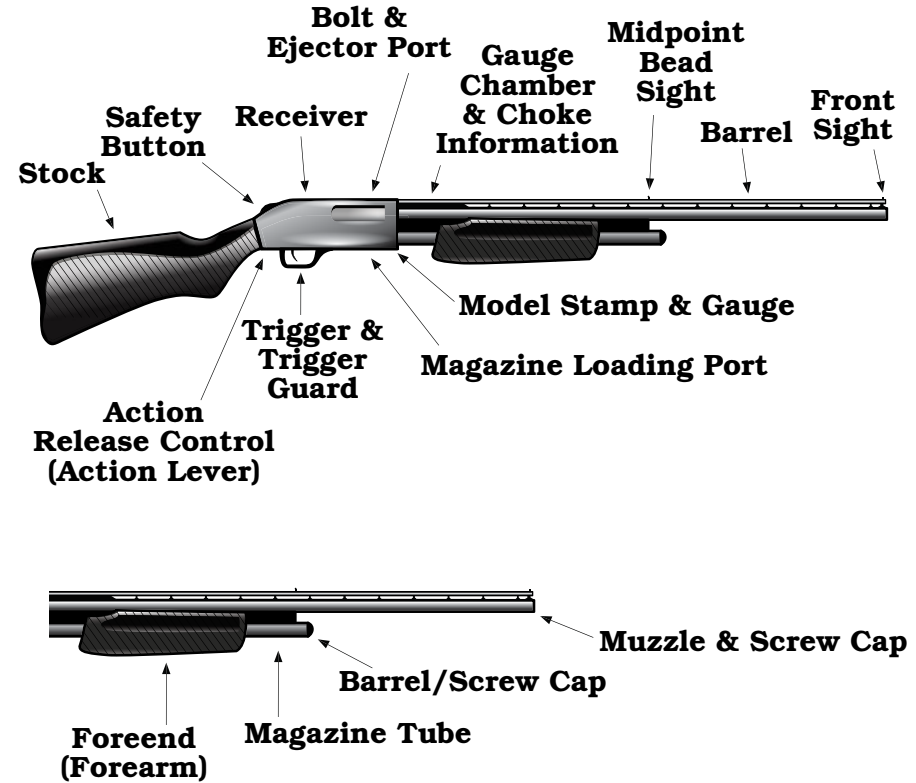
09/01/13 - 09/15/13

PROTECTED SPECIES (Hunting is PROHIBITED)

Badger; Woodchuck; Jackrabbit; Moose; Flying Squirrel

**Please contact your local DNR office for specific hunting and trapping zone regulations. For general information on firearm safety training call: 1 (888) 936-7463.*

Hunting Safety



All hunters should consider taking an advanced hunter education class to learn the latest hunting techniques along with tips on coming home alive.

Here are five suggestions for a safe and successful hunting experience:

1. Get a detailed map of the area you are hunting, review it before you leave, and carry it with you in the field.
2. Carry a compass and know how to use it. Decide ahead of time the direction to head for if you get lost or disoriented.
3. Weather can change quickly, so hunters should carry a simple survival kit and be prepared for an unexpected overnight stay in the field. The survival kit should contain a rope, a knife, water, waterproof matches, an emergency shelter, and first aid supplies.
4. If you are on the water, make sure to wear a personal flotation device (life preserver).
5. Know your hunting partners' physical and emotional limitations, as well as your own, and don't push your partners or yourself beyond those limits.

Wisconsin Trapping Seasons

COYOTE

10/19/13 - 02/15/14

BEAVER

Zone A: 11/02/13 - 04/30/14

Zone B: 11/02/13 - 04/30/14

Zone C: 11/02/13 - 03/31/14

Zone D: 1 day after duck season closes - 03/15/14

FISHER

10/19/13 - 12/31/13

OTTER

Northern Zone: 11/02/13 - 04/30/14

Central Zone: 11/02/13 - 03/31/14

Southern Zone: 11/02/13 - 03/31/14

FOX (RED & GRAY)

10/19/13 - 02/15/14

MINK

Northern Zone: 10/19/13 - 02/28/14

Southern Zone: 10/26/13 - 02/28/14

Winnebago Zone: 10/26/13 - 03/15/14

Mississippi River: 1 day after duck season closes or

11/11/13, whichever comes first - 02/28/14

MUSKRAT

Northern Zone: 10/19/13 - 02/28/14

Southern Zone: 10/26/13 - 02/28/14

Winnebago Zone: 10/26/13 - 03/15/14

Mississippi River: 1 day after duck season closes or

11/11/13, whichever comes first - 02/28/14

RACCOON

Resident: 10/19/13 - 02/15/14

Nonresident: 11/02/13 - 02/15/14

Wisconsin Fishing Seasons

EARLY INLAND TROUT

03/05/13 - 04/28/13

GENERAL INLAND TROUT

05/04/13 - 09/30/13

GENERAL INLAND FISHING

05/04/13 - 03/02/14

LARGE & SMALLMOUTH BASS

Northern Zone (Catch & Release): 05/04/13 - 06/14/13*

Northern Zone: (Harvest): 06/15/13 - 03/02/14*

Southern Zone: 05/04/12 - 03/02/14

MUSKELLUNGE

Northern Zone: 05/25/13 - 11/30/13*

Southern Zone: 05/04/12 - 12/31/13*

NORTHERN PIKE

05/04/13 - 03/02/14

WALLEYE

05/04/13 - 03/02/14

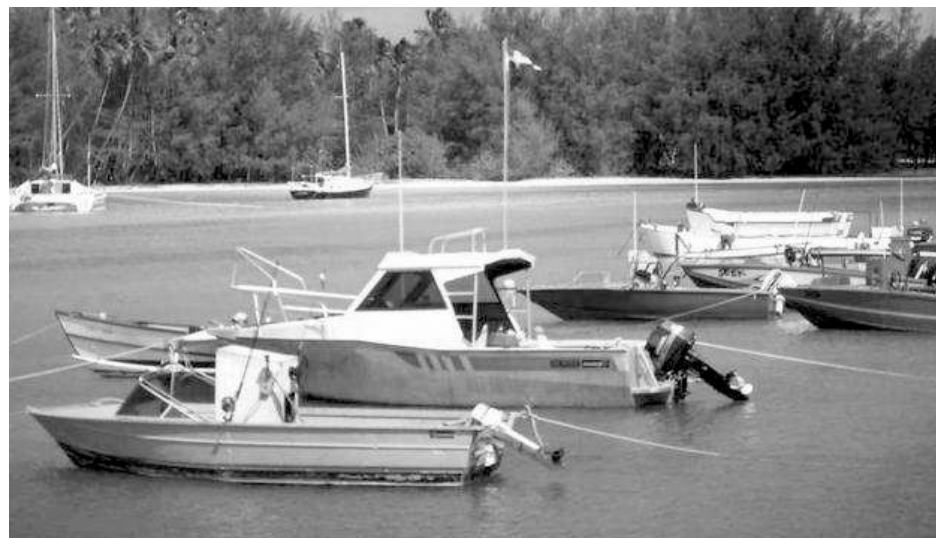
LAKE STURGEON

(Hook & Line) 09/07/13 - 09/30/13

FREE FISHING WEEKEND

06/01/13 - 06/02/13

**Contact the Wisconsin DNR for more information on specific fishing zones and dates: 1 (888) 936-7463*



Boating Safety

Operating Watercraft

Follow these guidelines to help prevent and prepare for capsizing, swamping, or someone falling overboard.

Make sure that you and your passengers are wearing life jackets while the boat is moving.

Attach the ignition safety lanyard to your wrist, clothes, or life jacket.

Don't allow anyone to sit on the gunwale, bow, seat backs, motor cover, or areas not designed for seating. Also, don't let anyone sit on pedestal seats when craft is not in idle.

Don't overload your boat. Balance the load of passengers and gear stored on-board.

Keep your center of gravity low by not allowing people to stand up or move around while craft is in motion.

In small boats, don't allow anyone to lean beyond the gunwale.

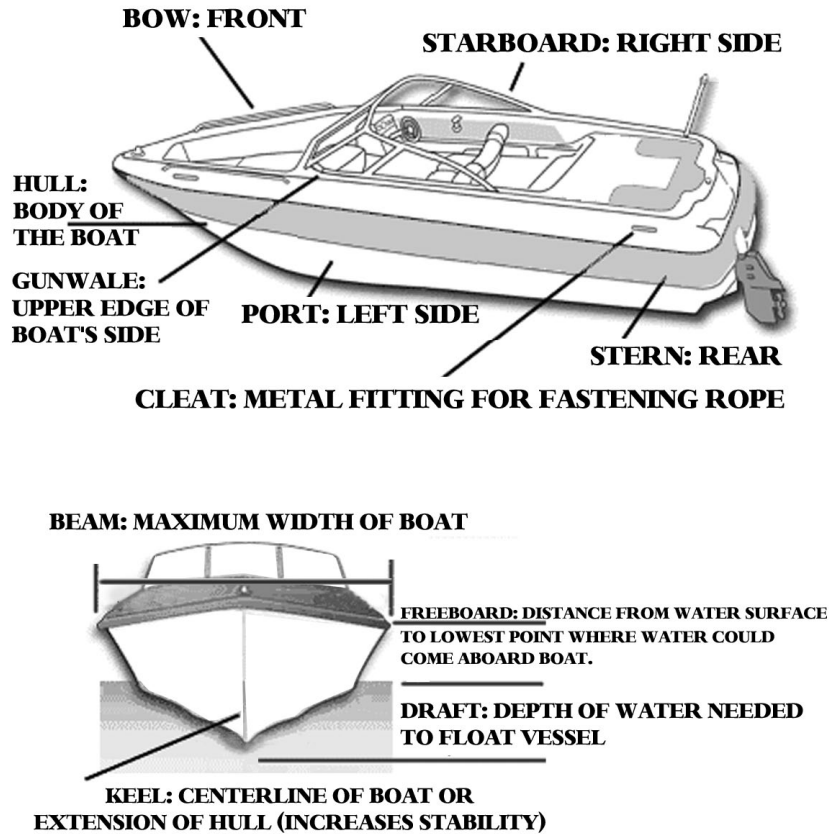
Turn boat at slow rates of speed.

Secure the anchor line to the bow, never to the stern.

Don't risk operating water craft in rough conditions or bad weather.

Boating Safety

Know Your Craft



Who May Operate a Motorboat (Other Than a Personal Watercraft)

For engines 25 horsepower or less:

Those under age 12 may operate without restrictions.

For engines over 25 horsepower through 75 horsepower:

Those under age 12 must have someone 21 years of age or older on board within reach of the controls.

For engines over 75 horsepower:

No children under age 12 may operate, even with an adult on board.

Other restrictions apply to boat operators 12 to 17 years old:

Operators from 12 to 17 years of age may operate engines of 25 horsepower or lower with no restrictions.

For engines over 25 horsepower:

Operators 12 to 17 years of age must have:

A watercraft operator's permit, or someone age 21 years or older on board within reach of the controls.

Boating Safety

Flotation Devices



Offshore Life Jackets - Type 1:

For rough or remote waters where rescue may take awhile. Provide the most buoyancy, excellent for flotation, turns most unconscious persons face up in the water.



Near-Shore Vests - Type 2:

Good for calm waters when quick assistance or rescue is likely. Turns some unconscious wearers face up in the water, but not as efficiently as offshore life jackets.



Flotation Aids - Type 3:

Vests or full-sleeved jackets good for calm waters when quick assistance is likely. Not for rough waters. They will not turn most unconscious persons face up. Used for sports, such as water-skiing. Some inflate in water.



Unwearable / Throwable Devices - Type 4:

Cushions and ring buoys designed to be thrown to someone in trouble. Type 4 is not designed to be worn. Not for rough waters - not for anyone unable to hold on to it.



Special Use - Type 5:

Vests, hybrids/others designed for specific activities, for example windsurfing, kayaking, water-skiing. Some Type 5 devices inflate when entering the water. To be acceptable, Type 5 must be used in compliance with their label instructions.

All watercraft must have at least one Coast Guard Approved Type 1, 2, 3 or 5 flotation device that is the proper size for each person on board or being towed.

All devices must be in good condition and easily accessible.

Children under age 10 must wear a device when on board a boat that is underway unless: in an enclosed cabin or below deck or on an anchored boat that is being used for swimming or diving or passenger craft with a licensed captain.

Along with the above at least one approved Type 4 must be on board boats 16 ft. or longer (except canoes and kayaks) and immediately available.

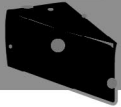
A Coast Guard approved Type 5 device may be substituted for any other Coast Guard approved device if it meets the same requirements and is noted on the label.

Anyone riding a jet ski or other Personal Water Craft must wear an approved -non inflating flotation device, as well as anyone being towed by a water craft.

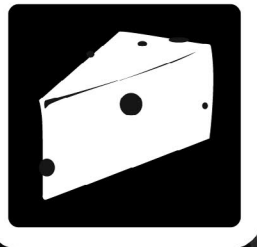


Wisconsin

Fun Facts:



1. The first practical typewriter was designed in Milwaukee in 1867.
2. Green Bay is Wisconsin's Oldest City.
3. Wisconsin snowmobile trails total 15,210 miles of signed and groomed snow highways.
4. Wisconsin is the dairy capital of the United States.
5. The first Ringling Brothers Circus was staged in Baraboo in 1884.
6. In 1882 the first hydroelectric plant in the United States was built at Fox River.
7. The state is nicknamed the Badger State.
8. Wausau is the Ginseng Capital of the World.
9. Two Rivers is the home of the ice cream sundae.
10. Sheboygan is the Bratwurst Capital of the World.



ATV Safety

- Read the owner's manual and know your vehicle thoroughly.
- Check your vehicle before you ride.
- Wear protective equipment and clothing.
- Don't lend your vehicle to unskilled riders.
- Supervise young or inexperienced riders.
- Never carry a passenger on vehicles meant for one rider.
- Do not operate under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- Drive at speeds that are appropriate to trail conditions.
- Stay to the right on trails.
- Stay away from thin ice, open water and wetlands
- Know the weather forecast.
- Make sure headlights and taillights work properly.
- Maintain safe distances between other riders.
- Reduce your speed when riding at night.
- Yield to other motor vehicles and trail users.
- Young or beginning riders are encouraged to take a safety training course.



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Bicycle Safety

Always wear a properly fitting bike helmet as most serious injuries are to the head.

Be sure your handlebars, seat and wheels fit snugly.

Keep your bike in good shape by checking and oiling your chain, making sure your brakes work properly and maintaining your tire pressure.

Always ride with both hands on the handlebars except when doing turn signals.

When leaving a driveway, curb or alleyway always stop and check for traffic in both directions.

Cross only at intersections.

Use the crosswalk to walk your bike across busy intersections and follow the traffic signals.

Never ride against traffic. Travel in the same direction as the cars.

Whenever you can, use bike routes and avoid busy streets.

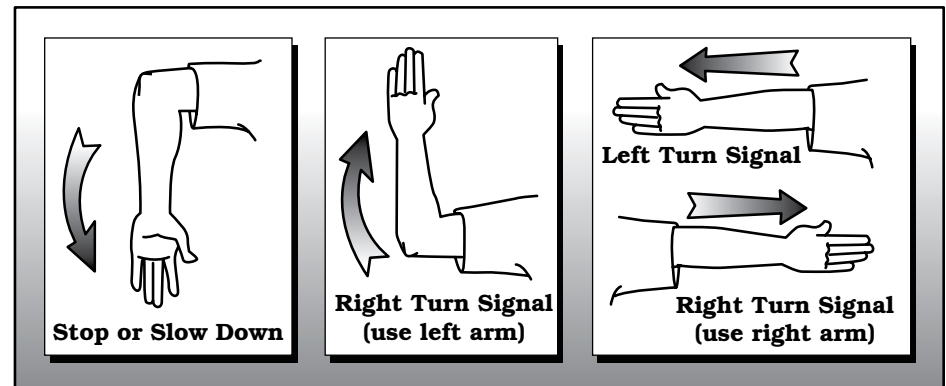
Don't ride near parked cars as doors can open and cause accidents.

Obey all traffic signs and traffic lights.

When biking with friends, ride in a single file.

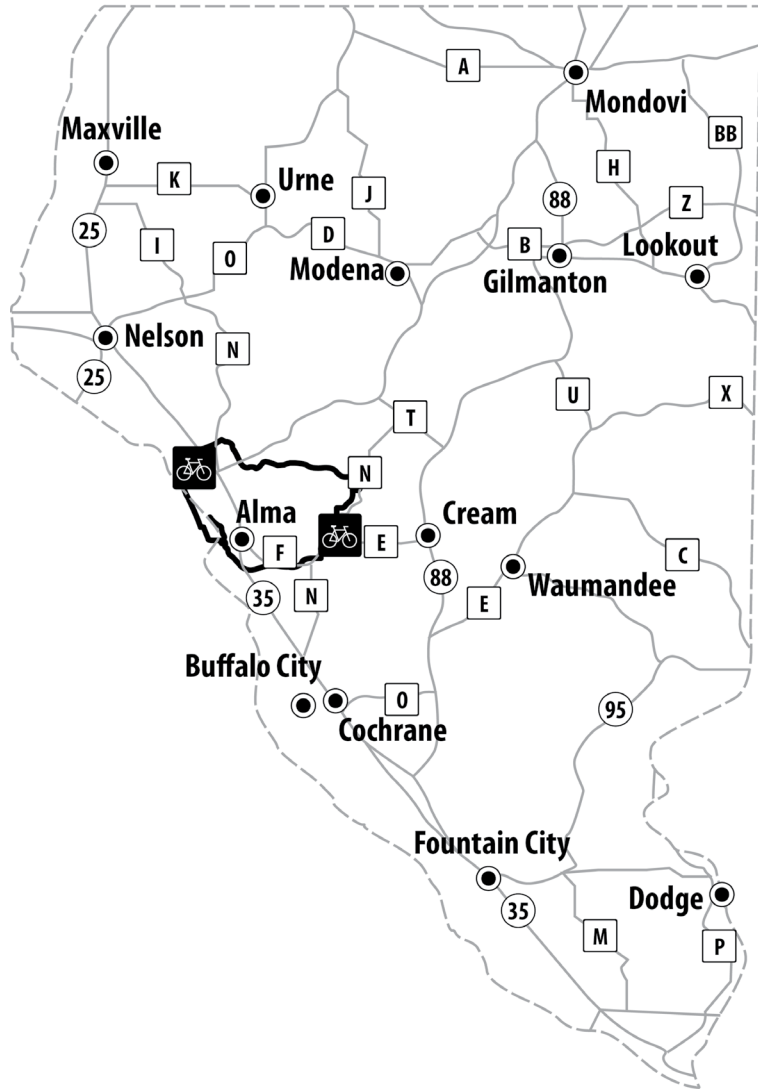
Always pass other bikers or pedestrians on the left and say "On your left!" to make your presence known.

Always use bicycle hand signals to alert traffic of your changing direction.



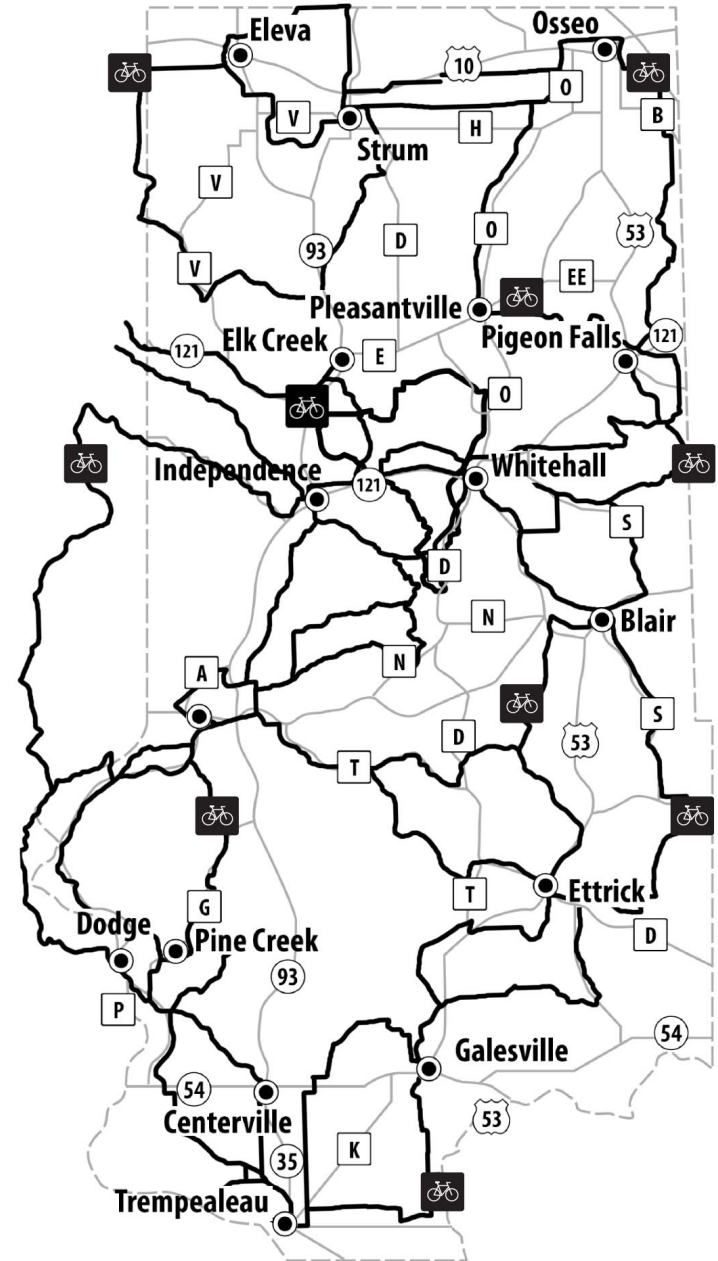
Bicycle Trails

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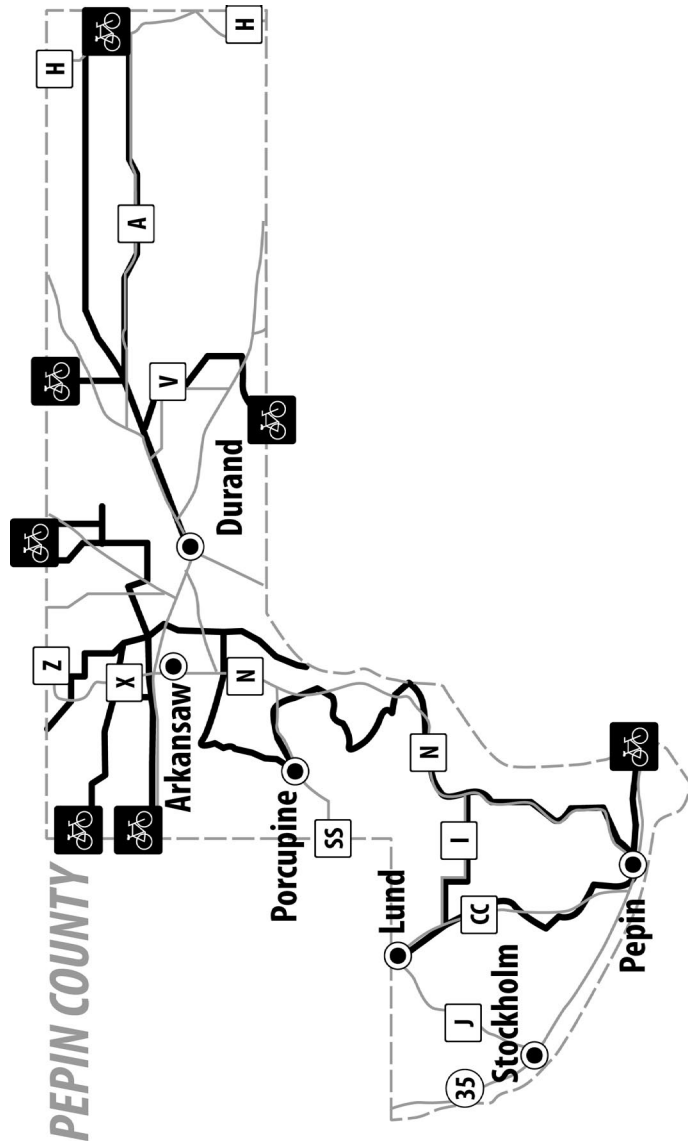


Bicycle Trails

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Snowmobile Safety

- Do not consume alcohol or take drugs prior to or during your snowmobile trip. Doing so increases your chances of injury or death.
- Slow down and don't cut to the inside of the trail corners. It's dangerous and illegal.
- If you snowmobile at night, don't override your lights.
- Always use the buddy system. Never ride off alone.
- Drowning is one of the causes of many snowmobile fatalities. Whenever possible, avoid the ice.
- Wear sensible, protective clothing designed for operating a snowmobile.
- Use a full size helmet, goggles, or visor to prevent injuries from twigs, stones, ice chips and other debris.
- Avoid wearing long scarves. They may get caught in moving parts of the snowmobile.
- Know the terrain you are going to ride. If unfamiliar to you, ask someone who has traveled over it before.
- Know the weather forecast, especially the ice and snow conditions.
- Be sure your snowmobile is in top-notch mechanical condition throughout the months of use.
- Familiarize yourself with the snowmobile you are driving. Thoroughly read the manual that accompanies the snowmobile.
- Do not pursue domestic or wild animals. That is not the conduct of a sportsman. Report such violations to the nearest law enforcement officer.

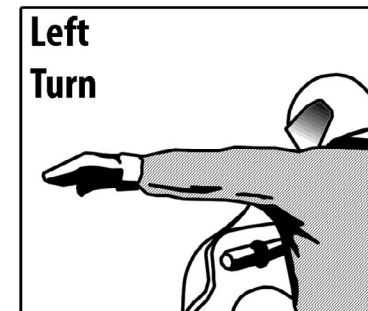
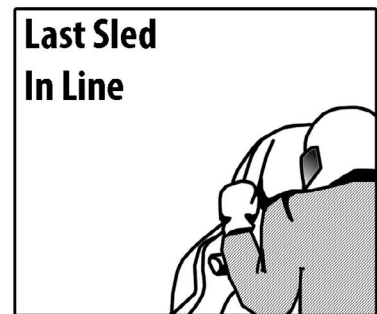
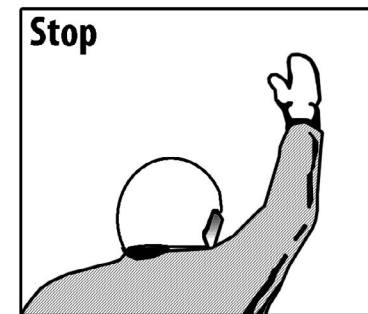
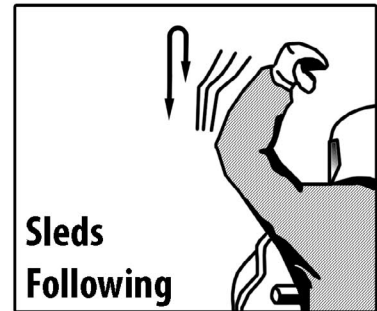
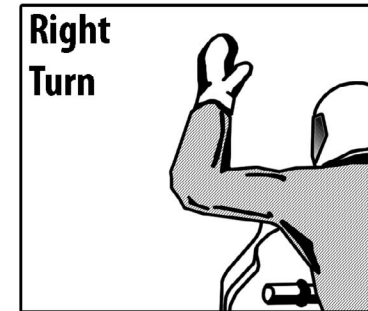
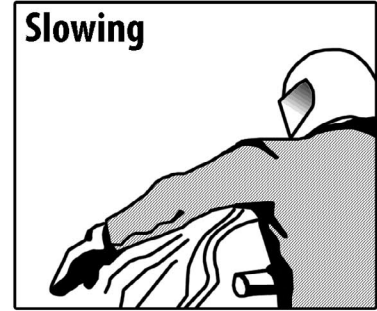
Common Trail Signs



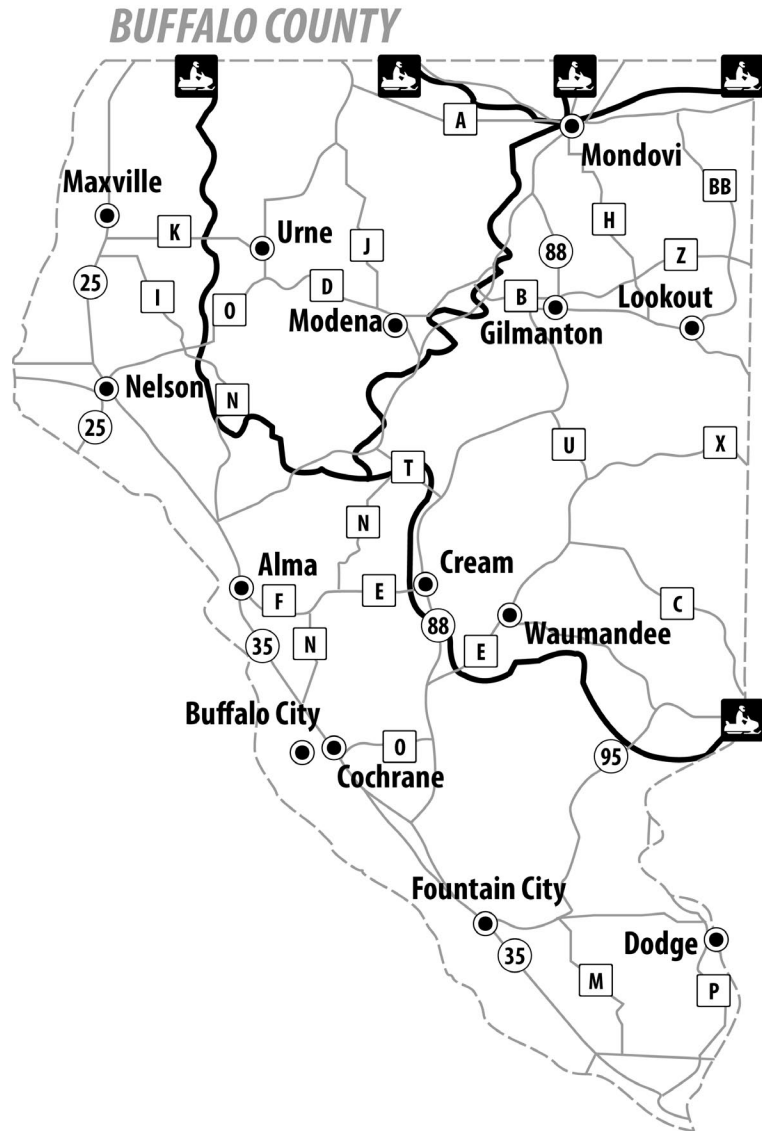
Snowmobile Safety

Communication is an essential part of safe riding. Hand signals are a practical way to communicate between other riders and traffic.

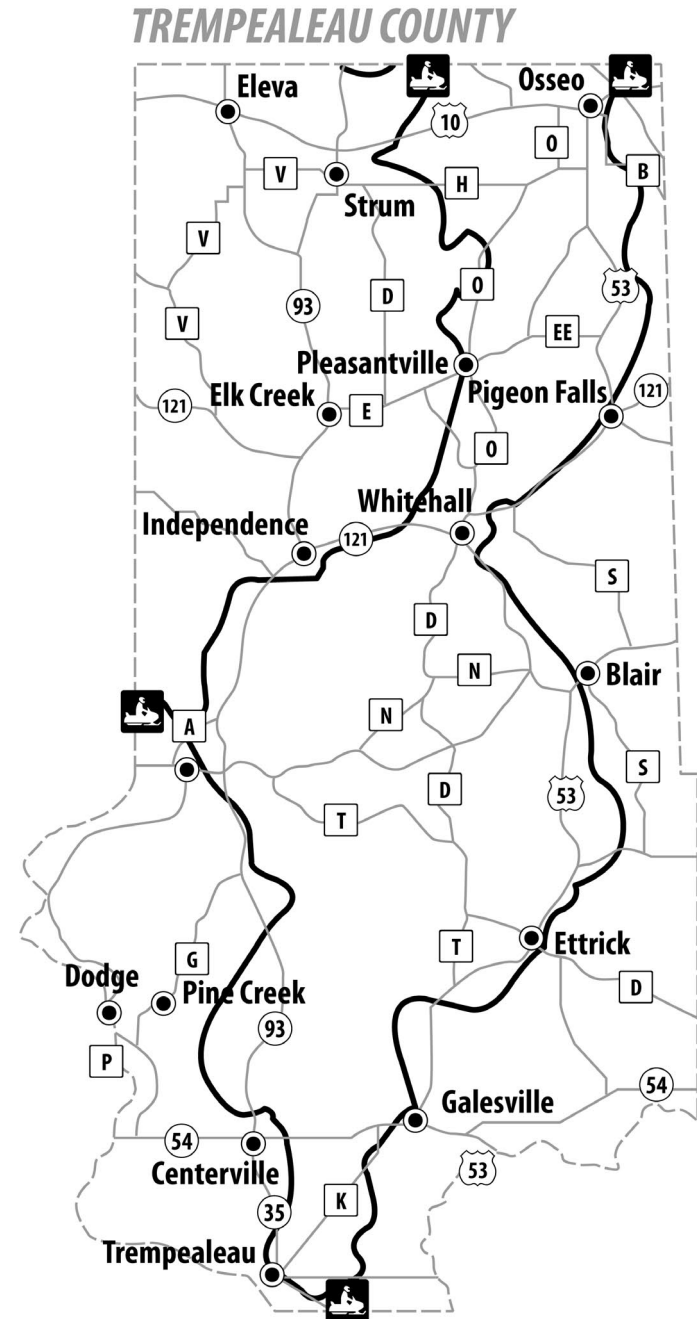
Be sure to give easy to see and clear hand signals when snowmobiling. Hand signals should never be subtle, but always deliberate.



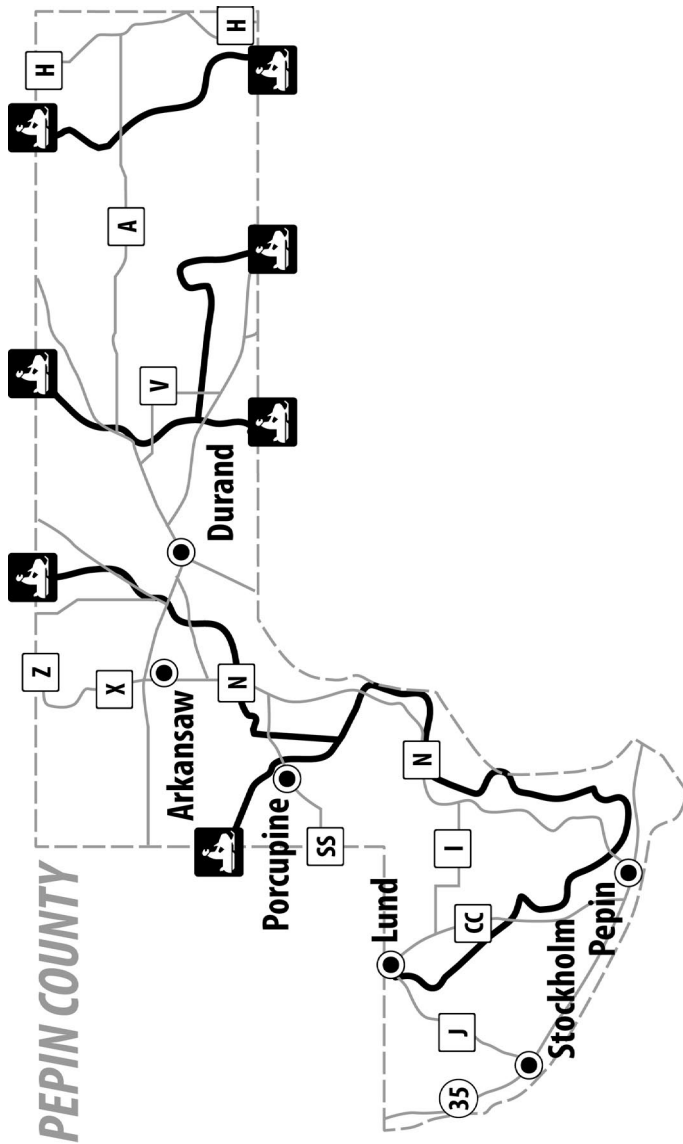
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Home Safety

- Keep the outside of your home well-lit. Motion sensors and timers help deter burglars.
- Dead-bolts and peep-holes should be placed on all outside doors.
- Windows and sliding glass doors should have locks and be in good working order.
- Keep your garage door closed.
- Use an engraver to mark computers, cameras, stereos, TV's, tools, yard equipment, etc.
- Never leave valuables, expensive jewelry, or large amounts of cash at home. If you must, keep a list of your valuables with serial numbers to assist in insurance claims.
- Keep your car locked at all times and store all valuables out of sight.
- Guns should always be stored unloaded and with a gunlock.
- Become part of a neighborhood watch or program that is similar.
- Be suspicious of unusual people or vehicles in your neighborhood. Document the date, time, description and license plate number to give to law enforcement if needed.
- When on vacation, do not advertise your absence. Stop mail and newspaper delivery. Have a trusted friend or neighbor to give the impression you are home by stopping by to take out trash, shovel snow, mow the lawn, etc.



Carbon Monoxide Safety

PREVENTION

- Install carbon monoxide detectors near every bedroom, gas appliance and in your RV, camper or motor home and test them monthly.
- Have flues, chimneys and all fuel-burning appliances inspected by a professional annually.
- Make sure fireplaces, wood stoves, dryers, furnaces and water heaters are properly vented to the outside.
- Only burn clean and untreated wood.
- Never idle your car or gas powered vehicle in the garage, with or without the garage door open.
- Toxic fumes build up quickly and can easily contaminate your home.
- Never use gas-powered engines like weed trimmers, snow blowers, chain saws, lawnmowers or portable generators in enclosed areas.
- Never use a charcoal grill indoors or in any closed area.
- Never use a gas oven to heat your home.
- Never sleep in a room or area heated with a gas or kerosene space heater that does not have proper ventilation.

SYMPTOMS

- Headaches, severe fatigue, vomiting, nausea, muscle and joint pain, dizziness, tingling, vertigo
- Attention and multi-tasking problems, short-term memory problems, word-finding problems
- Irritability, temper, loss of interest, sleep disturbance, anxiety, lack of motivation
- Eating and swallowing difficulties, vision problems, lack of muscular coordination, speaking difficulty, ringing in the ears
- Seizures, tremors, balancing problems, shortness of breath

Carbon monoxide poisoning is easily confused with flu-like symptoms. Serious long-term health risks or death can result if warning signs are ignored. Carbon monoxide can affect you for days, weeks, months or years. High levels of carbon monoxide can be fatal within minutes.

TREATMENT

- Immediately take the victim out to fresh air.
- If the victim cannot be removed, open every window and door.
- All appliances should be turned off.
- Take the victim to an emergency room as quickly as fast as possible, or call 911.

Emergency Planning

ESCAPE ROUTES

Everyone in your family should know the best ways to exit the house in case of a disaster. Teach your young children how to open sliding doors, windows and other exits. Designate a meeting place where the family can gather after escaping from the house.

FLASHLIGHTS

The whole family needs to know where to find flashlights. Periodically check the batteries.

FULLY CHARGED CELL PHONES

All family members should keep their cell phones charged. Make a habit of charging them, while everyone is asleep. Cell phones can be lifesavers in emergencies.

LIST OF VALUABLES

Keep this document listing your possessions (and if possible, a video of your home interior) in a fireproof safe, or in a safe deposit box at a bank.

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY PLANS

Familiarize yourself with community evacuation plans and neighborhood escape routes. Post a copy of them in a highly visible place in your home.



THUNDERSTORM/TORNADO

- Remove dead branches from trees beforehand to avoid injury or damage.
- After seeing lightning, if you hear thunder in less than 30 seconds, it is recommended that you stay inside for 30 minutes after the thunder has ceased.
- The inside of a car is safer than the outside, as a lightning strike will simply pass through the car as long as you aren't in contact with any metal.
- Unplug all major appliances, as a power surge can cause serious damage.
- Avoid all tall structures and elevated areas as well as large amounts of metal.



FIRES

- Make sure that every level of your house has a smoke detector, and be sure to test them once a month. Have the family plan an emergency exit route.
- Always keep track of any stoves or high-temperature/high-voltage appliances that are running. Be sure to never leave any cooking unattended.
- Keep lighters and matches away from children.
- If a burn occurs, soak the skin in cool water. If the skin blisters, seek medical assistance.

⊕ Emergency First-Aid Tips ⊕

FIRST AID FOR CPR & HEART ATTACK

CPR

CPR is to be administered when a person is not breathing or has no pulse. Be quick to act by remembering the A,B,C's: Airway, Breathing & Circulation.

Airway:

Place the person on a firm surface, on their back. Kneel next to the person's neck and shoulders. Open the person's airway by tilting back the head and lifting the chin.

Breathing:

With the head tilted and chin lifted, pinch the nostrils shut and cover the person's mouth with yours. Give two slow breaths.

Circulation:

Find the hand position on the center of the breastbone. Place the heel of your hand on that position, with your other hand on top of the first hand. Use your upper body weight to push down. Give two compressions per second. Compress the chest at a rate equal to 100/minute. Perform 30 compressions at this rate. Repeat until an ambulance arrives.

HEART ATTACK

Symptoms of a heart attack may include any of the following:

- Uncomfortable pressure, fullness or squeezing pain in the center of the chest.
- Expanded pain in the upper abdomen.
- Shortness of breath.
- Pain or numbness in either arms, shoulders, neck, jaw or teeth.
- Dizziness or fainting.
- Nausea and sweating.

If you or someone else may be having a heart attack - follow these steps immediately:

- **DIAL 911**
- **Chew and swallow Aspirin (unless you are allergic/not allowed to)**
- **Take Nitroglycerin (only if prescribed)**
- **Begin CPR if the person is unconscious**

IN AN EMERGENCY, DIAL 911

⊕ *Emergency First-Aid Tips* ⊕

FIRST AID FOR INSECT BITES/ANAPHYLAXIS & POISON SAFETY

INSECT BITES/ANAPHYLAXIS

Anaphylaxis is a severe allergic reaction from insect bites (latex, food and drug allergies can also cause Anaphylaxis). Typical symptoms include hives, the swelling of lips or eyes, swollen throat, drop in blood pressure, light headedness, confusion, nausea or diarrhea. If someone is having an allergic reaction from an insect bite with these symptoms:

CALL 911.

Administer emergency prescription medication. See if the person is carrying special emergency allergy medicine and give it to them according to the directions.

Loosen tight clothing.

Lay the person down. The person should lay down on their back with feet elevated. Turn them on their side if they are vomiting or bleeding from their mouth to prevent them from choking.

If they are not breathing - administer CPR. Most insect bite reactions are mild and cause no allergic reaction. If stung by a bee, use a straight edged object, like a credit card, to scrape away the stinger. Don't use tweezers - they can pinch more venom out of the stinger. Apply an ice pack to the area and take an over the counter pain reliever.

POISON PREVENTION

Teach your children about poison and how it can look like a food or drink. They should always ask an adult before eating or drinking anything. Have them learn the poison control phone number: 1-800-222-1222 and keep it programmed or posted near all your phones. Here are some prevention tips.

Lock up your poisons and medications. Keep them out of the reach of children, lock them up if possible. Make sure your children understand that medicine is not candy.

Follow directions carefully. Read your labels. Be sure to use and store all poisons and medications properly according to recommendations.

Keep your pets safe from household chemicals, too. Don't allow pets near areas that have just been cleaned with chemicals, such as freshly mopped floors or bleached bathtubs and sinks. Clean up any antifreeze/coolant spills. Pets like the flavor but they can die if they ingest it. Store poisonous foods or plants in areas that your pets cannot access. Call your local emergency veterinary hospital if you believe your pet has been poisoned.

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