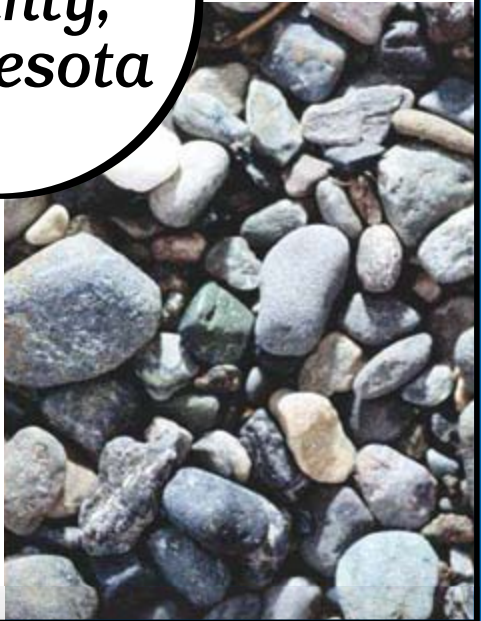


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## JANUARY

The Treasure Hunter's Roadshow | Baxter  
Lumberjack Jaunt Ski Race | Brainerd  
Resolution 5K Run | Brainerd  
Winter-een-Mas Festival | Brainerd  
Ice Fest | Breezy Point  
Ice Auger World Championship | Breezy Point  
Breezy Point Wedding Fair  
Ice Golf Tournament | Cross Lake  
ISOC Snowmobile Races | Garrison  
Snow Golf Tourn. | Nisswa  
Antique Snowmobile Rendezvous |  
Pequot Lakes

## FEBRUARY

Independent Short Film Festival | Brainerd  
Scorpion Homecoming | Crosby  
Dog Derby | Crosslake  
Winterfest | Crosslake  
Cuyuna Range Ice Fishing Contest  
Fishing for Ducks | Garrison  
Garrison Ice Race Weekend  
Ski and Board-a-thon | Nisswa  
Winter Jubilee | Nisswa

## MARCH

Snowmobile Snow Cross | Brainerd  
St. Patrick's Day Parade | Brainerd & Crosslake  
Polar Bear Plunge | Breezy Point  
Gull Lake Frozen Fore Winter Festival | Nisswa

## APRIL

Garden Expo | Brainerd  
Run For The Lakes | Brainerd

## MAY

Family YMCA Charity Ball | Brainerd  
Spring Arts and Craft Festival | Brainerd  
Street Car Showdown | Brainerd  
NHRA Divisional Race | Brainerd

## JUNE

Chump Car World Series | Brainerd  
Soap Box Derby | Brainerd  
Sporting Clays Summer Fling | Brainerd  
Pelican Lake Fishing Contest | Breezy Point  
Emily Days Celebration  
Family Fun Day | Fifty Lakes  
WOW Festival | Fort Ripley  
Nisswa Stamman Scandinavian Festival  
Pequot Lakes Cherry Car Show  
Pine River Summerfest  
Celtic Festival | St. Mathias  
Summer Solstice Celebration | St. Mathias

## JULY

Fourth of July Celebration | Crow Wing  
County  
Babe's Benefit Rally | Brainerd  
Battle of the Bands | Brainerd  
Crazeez Daze | Brainerd  
Men's Softball Tournament | Brainerd  
Show & Go-Drag Racing & Car Show |  
Brainerd  
Yikes! Bikes! Bike Ride | Brainerd  
Grandpa's Run for the Walleye | Crosslake  
Night Under the Stars | Crosslake  
Garrison Play Days  
Mission Township Fire Fair  
Freedom Days Parade | Nisswa  
Majestic Pines Art Festival | Nisswa  
Arts & Crafts Fair | Pequot Lakes  
Bean Hole Days | Pequot Lakes  
Crazy Dayz | Pequot Lakes

## AUGUST

Crow Wing County Fair | Brainerd  
Lucas Oil NHRA Nationals | Brainerd  
Butterfly Release | Breezy Point  
Swanson Melanoma Golf Tourn. |  
Breezy Point  
Artisans Fair | Crosslake  
Fire Department Car Show | Crosslake  
Summerfest | Deerwood Township  
Crazy Days | Nisswa  
Chokecherry Festival | Pequot Lakes

## SEPTEMBER

Coca-Cola Muscle Car Shootout | Brainerd  
Cowboy & Hobo Days Music Festival |  
Brainerd  
Frisbee Golf Tourn. | Brainerd  
Brainerd Outdoors Expo  
Scrubs Tournament | Brainerd  
Women's Expo | Crosby  
Fall Arts & Crafts Show | Crosby  
Crosslake Days  
Woodtick Scramble | Cuyuna  
Fall Festival | Nisswa  
Taste of Pequot | Pequot Lakes

## OCTOBER

Art Crawl | Brainerd  
Fall Arts & Crafts Festival | Brainerd  
Great Pumpkin Festival | Brainerd  
Oktoberfest | Deerwood Township  
Fall Festival | Mission Township  
Haunted Hayride | Mission Township

## NOVEMBER

Holiday Arts & Crafts Festival | Brainerd  
Winter Wonderland | Brainerd  
City of Lights Celebration | Nisswa

## DECEMBER

Holiday Light Display | Brainerd  
Downtown Holli-Days | Brainerd  
Holly Ball | Nisswa  
Santa's Bobbin' Into Town! | Pequot Lakes

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The area was first inhabited by Ojibwe Indians as fur trading posts were established along riverbanks. Ample timber and natural resources attracted lumbermen and miners and settlements were founded. Crow Wing County was established in 1857 and named after the Crow River. Businesses were formed to meet the growing needs of residents and settlements became towns. As the railroad was constructed and iron ore deposits were discovered, Crow Wing County began to grow dramatically from a population of 14,250 in 1900, to 24,627 in 1920. Brainerd was selected as the county seat and the area continues to thrive, attracting a variety of tourists. Today Crow Wing County is home to approximately 62,172 residents.

## CITIES:

- BAXTER** – pop. 8,271
- BRainerd (COUNTY SEAT)** – pop. 13,691
- BREEZY POINT** – pop. 1,614
- CROSBY** – pop. 2,386
- CROSSLAKE** – pop. 2,108
- CUYUNA** – pop. 273
- DEERWOOD** – pop. 573
- EMILY** – pop. 991
- FIFTY LAKES** – pop. 421
- FORT RIPLEY** – pop. 73
- GARRISON** – pop. 213
- IRONTON** – pop. 528
- JENKINS** – pop. 403
- MANHATTAN BEACH** – pop. 52
- NISSWA** – pop. 2,110
- PEQUOT LAKES** – pop. 1,925
- RIVERTON** – pop. 106
- TROMMALD** – pop. 129

## TOWNSHIPS:

- BAY LAKE** – pop. 972
- CROW WING** – pop. 1,403
- DAGGETT BROOK** – pop. 638
- DEERWOOD** – pop. 1,357
- FAIRFIELD** – pop. 347
- FORT RIPLEY** – pop. 680
- GAIL LAKE** – pop. 126
- GARRISON** – pop. 796
- IDEAL** – pop. 991
- IRONDALE** – pop. 1,240
- JENKINS** – pop. 451
- LAKE EDWARDS** – pop. 1,995
- LITTLE PINE** – pop. 151
- LONG LAKE** – pop. 1,163
- MAPLE GROVE** – pop. 830
- MISSION** – pop. 796
- NOKAY** – pop. 840
- OAK LAWN** – pop. 1,735
- PELICAN** – pop. 419
- PERRY LAKE** – pop. 341
- PLATTE LAKE** – pop. 437
- RABBIT LAKE** – pop. 442
- ROOSEVELT** – pop. 591
- ROSS LAKE** – pop. 163
- SIBLEY** – pop. 855
- ST. MATHIAS** – pop. 669
- TIMOTHY** – pop. 227
- WOLFORD** – pop. 326

*\*Populations are approximate.*

## BAXTER

Baxter was named in honor of Luther Loren Baxter, an attorney for the Northern Pacific Company, colonel, senator and judge. As the railroad was built, Baxter grew dramatically and the community was incorporated in 1939. Early industry included agriculture, but is now based on tourism. Today Baxter is home to approximately 8,271 residents.

## **BRainerd (COUNTY SEAT)**

Brainerd was established in 1870 by the Northern Pacific Railroad Company. The community was first known as "The Crossing," until 1873 when it was renamed in honor of Anna Eliza Brainerd Smith, wife of the railway president. As the area began to grow, Brainerd became a transportation hub and center for timber products. It was selected as the county seat and the area has grown as a major tourist destination. Today Brainerd is home to approximately 13,691 residents.

## **BREEZY POINT**

Located in Pelican Township, Breezy Point was first known as Pelican Lake. In the 1920s, Breezy Point Resort was founded and due to a misplaced furniture order and postal confusion, the resort owners petitioned to change the town name to Breezy Point. In 1970 the name was officially changed to Breezy Point and the area has become a haven for recreational enthusiasts. Today Breezy Point is home to approximately 1,614 residents.

## **CROSBY**

Located on the Cuyuna Iron Range, Crosby was established as a mining town in the late 1800s and named after iron mine manager George H. Crosby. As mines were closed, industry became based on tourism, with a variety of attractions including the Cuyuna Country State Recreation Area. Today Crosby is home to approximately 2,243 residents.

## **CROSSLAKE**

Located in Watertown Township, Crosslake was settled in the mid 1800s as pioneers were attracted to the ample natural resources. A post office was established in 1894 and the community has grown steadily, incorporating in 1959. Today Crosslake is home to approximately 2,108 residents.

## **CUYUNA**

Settled as a mining town, Cuyuna was platted in 1908. The community was named in honor of Cuyler Adams, a local miner, developer and prospector, and his dog, Una. By 1910 the population had reached 1,000. As mines began to close, its population began to decline. Today Cuyuna is home to approximately 273 residents.

## **DEERWOOD**

First recognized as Withington, Deerwood was settled in the late 1800s and is the oldest community on the Cuyuna Iron Range. Due to postal confusion with Worthington, MN, the community was renamed Deerwood after the plentiful white tail deer found throughout the area. As the railroad was constructed, the community became a transportation hub and continued to grow. Today Deerwood is home to approximately 573 residents.

## **EMILY**

Settled in the late 1800s by loggers and lumbermen, Emily bears the same name as its nearby lake. A multitude of lakes and ample timber attracted residents and the community has become a popular recreational area. Today Emily is home to approximately 991 residents.

## **FIFTY LAKES**

Located in Allen Township, Fifty Lakes was platted in 1863 and was named in honor of the many lakes located in the area. A post office was established in 1926 and the community was incorporated in 1949. As almost two thirds of Fifty Lakes is county and state land, making this area a haven for recreational enthusiasts. Today Fifty Lakes is home to approximately 421 residents.

## **FORT RIPLEY**

Located near the Mississippi River, Fort Ripley was named in honor of General Eleazar W. Ripley, a congressman and general who served during the War of 1812. Established as a railway village, Fort Ripley is located near Camp Ripley, a training facility for the Minnesota National Guard and the Minnesota State Patrol. Today Fort Ripley is home to approximately 73 residents.

## **GARRISON**

Garrison was settled in the late 1800s and named after local surveyor, explorer and civil engineer Oscar E. Garrison in 1882. Located near Mille Lacs Lake, the community has become a popular year-round fishing area. Today Garrison is home to approximately 213 residents.

## **IRONTON**

Located near the Cuyuna Iron Range, Ironton was established as a mining and railway town. Platted by John H. Hill and E. A. Lamb in 1910, businesses were founded to meet the needs of local miners and Ironton began to grow with construction of the railroad. As mines began to close, industry has shifted to tourism and forestry. Today Ironton is home to approximately 528 residents.

### JENKINS

Named in honor of George W. Jenkins, a local lumber baron, the community was settled in the late 1800s. As the railroad arrived in 1895, Jenkins continued to grow and a post office was established. By 1900 the community housed hotels, restaurants, general stores and specialty shops. Jenkins was incorporated in 1969 and continues to thrive. Today Jenkins is home to approximately 403 residents.

### MANHATTAN BEACH

Manhattan Beach was settled in the late 1800s as pioneers were attracted to the ample natural resources of nearby lakes. A post office was established in 1939 and the community was incorporated in 1941. Today Manhattan Beach is home to approximately 52 residents.

### NISSWA

Nisswa, an Ojibwe name for "in the middle," was settled in the late 1800s and first known as Hill's Crossing. The community was platted by Leon E. Lum, an attorney who also served as the area's first postmaster. Nisswa's proximity to thirteen lakes has made this area a popular recreational destination. Today Nisswa is home to approximately 2,110 residents.

### PEQUOT LAKES

Settled in the late 1800s, the Pequot Lakes area was first known as Sibley and then Frogtown. A post office was established in 1896 and as the railroad was constructed, the area began to grow. The community was platted by Walter and Flora Brown in 1900 and renamed Pequot Lakes after an east coast Indian tribe. Located near the Paul Bunyan Trail, it is known as the home for Paul Bunyan's fishing bobber and chair. Today Pequot Lakes is home to approximately 1,925 residents.

### RIVERTON

Riverton was established as a mining community in the late 1800s. A school was built in 1897 and the area grew dramatically as the Williams-Carlson Ore Company was founded. Businesses were established to meet the needs of the miners and by 1913 Riverton's population had reached 780. As mines began to close, development began to slow. Today Riverton is home to approximately 106 residents.

### TROMMALD

Located in Wolford Township, Trommald was founded as a mining community and named in honor of A.G. Trommald, a county official. A post office was established in 1917 and Trommald was incorporated. As mines were closed, growth slowed and the area has become popular with recreational enthusiasts. Today Trommald is home to approximately 129 residents.

## ICE FISHING EXTRAVAGANZA

Since 1991 the Brainerd Jaycees has put together the biggest ice fishing event in the world. The Ice Fishing Extravaganza raises money for local charities and brings locals and visitors together. Since its 1991 start, the Extravaganza has grown exponentially, now bringing over a million dollars to local businesses and \$150,000 to charities, every year.

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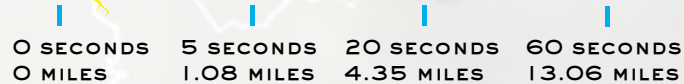
- KNOW WHERE YOU CAN TAKE SHELTER IN SECONDS.
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- FLYING DEBRIS IS THE BIGGEST DANGER DURING A TORNADO. YOUR SHELTER SPACE SHOULD HAVE MATTRESSES OR THICK BLANKETS AROUND, TO PROTECT YOURSELVES.
- DO NOT OPEN YOUR WINDOWS TO TRY & "EQUALIZE THE PRESSURE." THIS ONLY MAKES IT EASIER FOR DEBRIS TO INJURE YOU.
- ALSO, STAY AWAY FROM WINDOWS!

## Things to Look and Listen for:

- CONSTANT ROTATION OF THE CLOUDS BASE.
- FLYING/ROTATING DEBRIS UNDER THE CLOUD.
- TORNADOS DON'T ALWAYS HAVE A VISIBLE FUNNEL.
- HEAVY RAIN OR HAIL FOLLOWED BY EITHER BY AN EERIE CALM IN THE STORM OR RAPID WIND CHANGES & SHIFTS.
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Date: 05/24/2014 to 02/22/2015

### Largemouth Bass-

Date: 05/11/2013 to 02/23/2014

Date: 05/24/2014 to 02/22/2015

### Dark House Spearing-

Date: 11/15/2013 to 02/23/2014

Date: 11/15/2014 to 02/22/2015

### Lake and Stream Trout -

Date: 01/01/2014 to 03/31/2014

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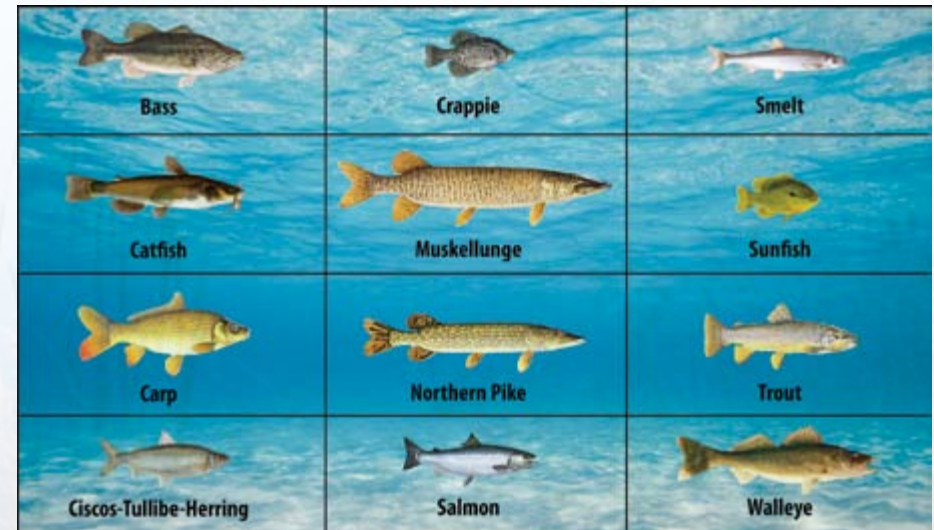
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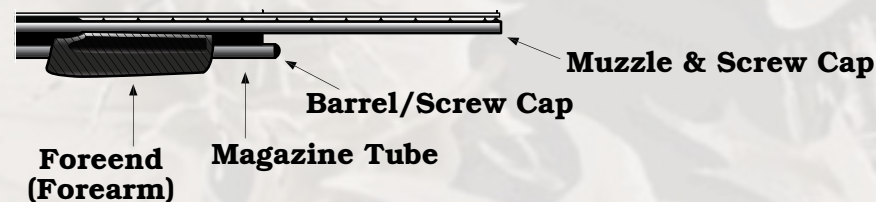
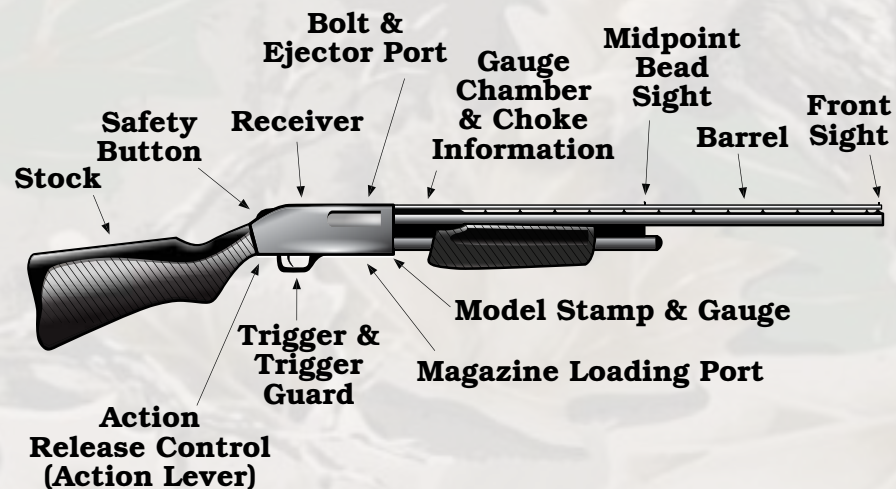
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3. Weather can change quickly, so hunters should carry a simple survival kit and be prepared for an unexpected overnight stay in the field. The survival kit should contain a rope, a knife, water, waterproof matches, an emergency shelter, and first aid supplies.
4. If you are on the water, make sure to wear a personal flotation device (life preserver).
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Follow these steps if you catch a fish that you think could be a record:

- Weigh the fish on a state-certified scale (found at most bait shops and butcher shops), witnessed by two observers.
- Take the fish to a DNR fisheries office for positive identification and a state record fish application.
- Complete the state record submission form and send it along with a clear, full-length photo of your fish to the address listed on the form.

SPECIES	WEIGHT (lbs. - oz.)	LENGTH/GIRTH (inches)	WATERBODY	YEAR
Bass, Largemouth	8-15	23.5/18	Auburn Lake	2005
Bass, Rock (tie)	2-0	13.5/12.5	Osakis Lake	1998
	2-0	12.6/12.4	Lake Winnibigoshish	2004
Bass, Smallmouth	8-0	NA	West Battle Lake	1948
Bass, White	4-2.4	18.5/15.1	Mississippi River	2004
Bluegill	2-13	NA	Alice Lake	1948
Bowfin	11-4	35/20	St. Croix River	2008
Buffalo, Bigmouth	41-11	38.5/29.5	Mississippi River	1991
Buffalo, Black	20-.5	34.2/20	Minnesota River	1997
Buffalo, Smallmouth	20-0	32/23.75	Big Sandy	2003
Bullhead, Black	3-13.12	17.17/14.96	Reno Lake	1997
Bullhead, Brown	7-1	24.4/NA	Shallow Lake	1974
Bullhead, Yellow	3-10.5	17.88/11.75	Osakis Lake	2002
Burbot	19-3	36.25/22.75	Lake of the Woods	2001
Carp	55-5	42/31	Clearwater Lake	1952
Carp sucker, River	3-15	19.5/14	Mississippi River	1991
Catfish, Channel	38-0	44/NA	Mississippi River	1975
Catfish, Flathead	70-0	NA	St. Croix River	1970
Crappie, Black	5-0	21/NA	Vermillion River	1940
Crappie, White	3-15	18/16	Lake Constance	2002
Drum, Freshwater	35-3.2	36/31	Mississippi River	1999
Eel, American	6-9	36/14	St. Croix River	1997
Gar, Longnose	16-12	53/16.5	St. Croix River	1982
Gar, Shortnose	4-9.6	34.6/10	Mississippi River	1984
Goldeye	2-13.1	20.1/11.5	Root River	2001
Hogsucker, Northern	1-15	14.25/7.13	Sunrise River	1982
Mooneye	1-15	16.5/9.75	Minnesota River	1980

SPECIES	WEIGHT (lbs. - oz.)	LENGTH/GIRTH (inches)	WATERBODY	YEAR
Muskellunge	54-0	56/27.8	Lake Winnibigoshish	1957
Muskellunge, Tiger	34-12	51/22.5	Lake Elmo	1999
Perch, Yellow	3-4	NA	Lake Plantaganette	1945
Pike, Northern	45-12	NA	Basswood Lake	1929
Pumpkinseed	1-5.6	10.1/12.13	Leech Lake	1999
Quillback	7-4.5	22.63/18	Mississippi River	1991
Redhorse, Golden	3-15.5	20.13/12.38	Root River	2007
Redhorse Greater	12-11.5	28.5/18.5	Sauk River	2005
Redhorse, River	12-10	28.38/20	Kettle River	2005
Redhorse, Shorthead	7-15	27/15	Rum River	1983
Redhorse, Silver	9-15	26.6/16.88	Big Fork River	2004
Salmon, Atlantic	12-13	35.5/16.5	Baptism River	1991
Salmon, Chinook	33-4	44.75/25.75	Poplar River	1989
Salmon, Chinook	33-4	42.25/26.13	Lake Superior	1989
Salmon, Coho	10-6.5	27.3/NA	Lake Superior	1970
Salmon, Kokanee	2-15	20/11.5	Caribou Lake	1971
Salmon, Pink	4-8	23.5/13.2	Cascade River	1989
Sauger	6-2.75	23.88/15	Mississippi River	1988
Splake	13-5.44	33.5/19	Larson Lake	2001
Sturgeon, Lake	94-4	70/26.5	Kettle River	1994
Sturgeon, Shovelnose	5-9	36/11.88	Mississippi River	2007
Sucker, Blue	14-3	30.4/20.2	Mississippi River	1987
Sucker, Longnose	3-10.6	21/10.25	Brule River	2005
Sucker, White	9-1	24.25/16.25	Big Fish Lake	1983
Sunfish, Green	1-4.8	10.25/10.63	North Arbor Lake	2005
Sunfish, Hybrid	1-12	11.5/12	Zumbro River	1994
Trout, Brook	6-5.6	24/14.5	Pigeon River	2000
Trout, Brown	16-12	31.4/20.6	Lake Superior	1989
Trout, Lake	43-8	NA	Lake Superior	1955
Trout, Rainbow	16-6	33/19.5	Devil Track River	1980
Trout, Tiger	2-9.12	20/9.63	Mill Creek	1999
Tullibee	5-11.8	20.45/16.4	Little Long Lake	2002
Walleye	17-8	35.8/21.3	Seagull River	1979
Walleye -Sauger Hybrid	9-13.4	27/17.75	Mississippi River	1999
Warmouth	0.41	8/7.25	Bartlet Lake	2010
Whitefish, Lake	12-4.5	28.5/20	Leech Lake	1999
Whitefish, Menominee	2-7.5	21/9.1	Lake Superior	1987

## Operating Watercraft

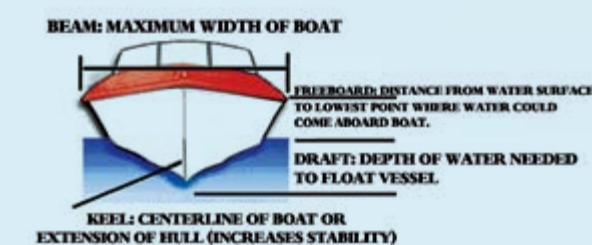
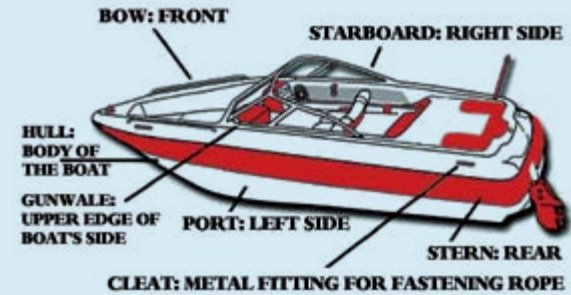
FOLLOW THESE GUIDELINES TO HELP PREVENT AND PREPARE FOR CAPSIZING, SWAMPING, OR SOMEONE FALLING OVERBOARD.

- 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 GUN WALE, 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.

## Who May Operate a Motorboat

(OTHER THAN A PERSONAL WATERCRAFT)

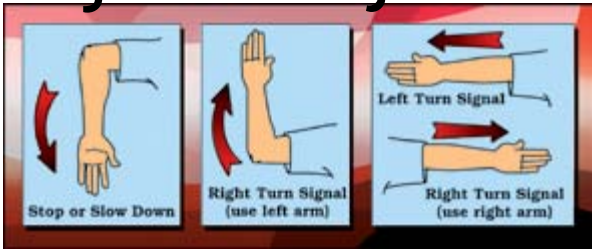
- **FOR ENGINES 25 HORSEPOWER OR LESS:**
  - THOSE UNDER AGE 12 MAY OPERATE WITHOUT RESTRICTIONS.
- **FOR ENGINES OVER 25 HORSEPOWER THROUGH 75 HORSEPOWER:**
  - THOSE UNDER AGE 12 MUST HAVE SOMEONE 21 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER ON BOARD WITHIN REACH OF THE CONTROLS.
- **FOR ENGINES OVER 75 HORSEPOWER:**
  - 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 OLD ON BOARD WITHIN REACH OF THE CONTROLS.



## 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.

# Bicycle Hand Signals



# Snowmobile Hand Signals

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.



## 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.

# Know Your ATV



## Drink lots of Water!

- 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.

# Be Cautious of Other Bikers

**PRIVATE PROPERTY**  
**NO TRESPASSING**

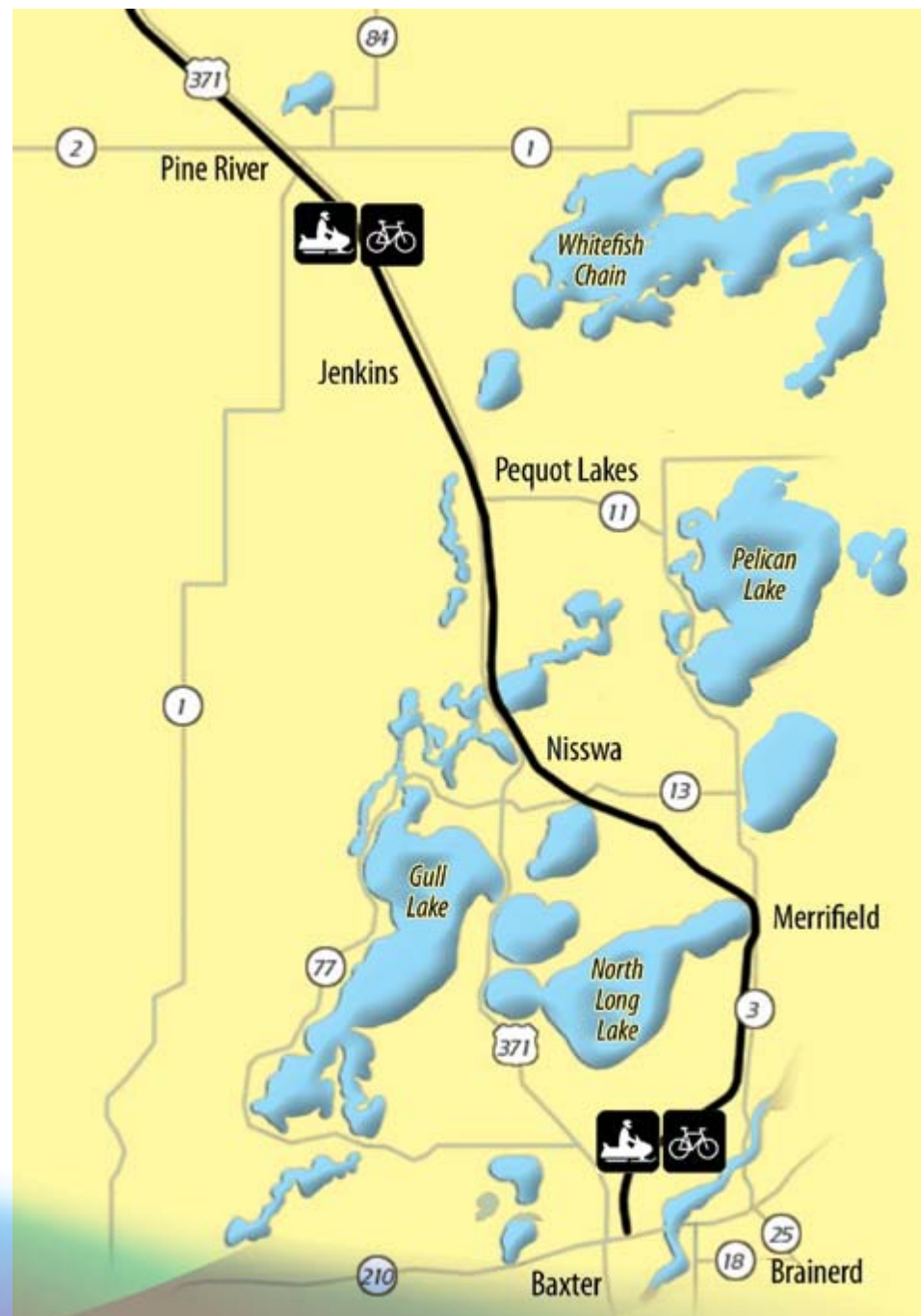
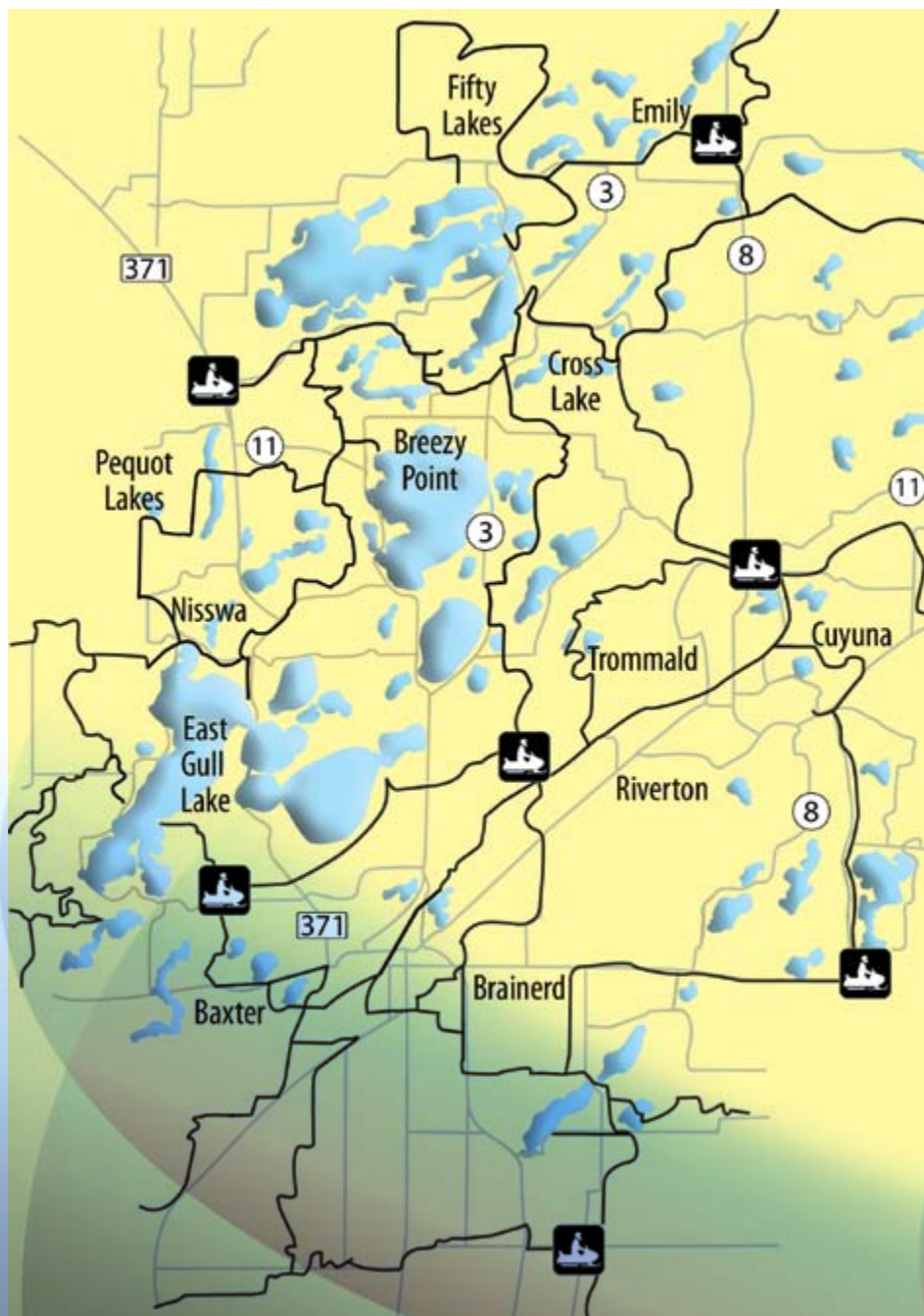
Please respect private property and no trespassing signs. Stay on trails. Exercise extreme caution on all lakes and streams. Obey all state and local laws and ordinances. Do not operate snowmobiles/ATV's on county roads or state highways.

- 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.

# Slow Down!

Snowmobiling is fun. Going to the hospital isn't.





Hey!  
check  
it out!!!

color me!



## silly JOKES...

Q: Why do dogs run in circles?  
A: Because its hard to run in squares!

Doctor, Doctor my son has swallowed my pen, what should I do?  
Doctor: Use a pencil 'till I get there..!

Q: What's the worst thing you're likely to find in the school cafeteria?  
A: The food!

Q: Who invented fractions?  
A: Henry the 1/8th!

The Perfect homework excuse...  
Teacher: Where is your homework?  
Student: I lost it fighting this kid who said you weren't the best teacher in the school!

Q: Why does a flamingo lift up one leg?  
A: Because if he lifted up both legs it would fall over!

Q: What runs but never walks?  
A: Water!

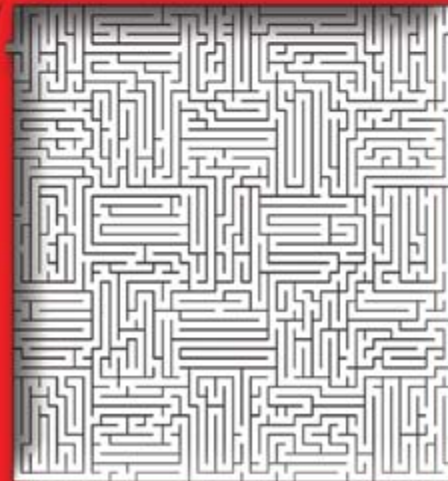
Q: Did you hear about the fool who keeps going around saying "no"?  
A: "No...?" Oh, so it's you!?



why did the ChickEN  
cRoSs the PLaygRouND?

to get To The OTHER  
SLIDE!!

Can you find your way?



## Sudoku

5					
2		7 3		6 1	
3 8 7		2		4	
8 5		6			
7 3		4		9 6	
		5		3 2	
1	4		2 7 8		
9 7		1 8		5	
				1	

End Here!



## PARENTS:

- Teach your kids that an emergency is when you need help from a doctor, a police officer or a firefighter.
- Designate a safe place by your house that a child can go to if they need help right away.
- Have your kids memorize your address and phone numbers. They should also know your full name and where you work.

## KIDS:

### FIRE SAFETY

- If you or someone else is on fire - remember to STOP, DROP and ROLL. Wrap a blanket on the person to help put out the fire.
- If there is a fire, leave the house as fast as you can! Crawl on the floor to avoid smoke and if the door is hot, don't open it - find another way out.
- Learn all the fire exits in your house. Assign a safe place outside for everyone to meet in case of a fire emergency.

### HOME ALONE

- Never tell anyone that you are home alone.
- If someone calls and asks for your mom and dad, tell them "They cannot come to the phone right now, can you please call back later?"
- Do not answer the door, unless it is someone that you know your parents have okay'd them to come over.



## 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:**

### 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 anti-freeze/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.



## FIRST AID FOR BURNS & CHOKING

### BURNS

**For minor 1st and 2nd degree burns smaller than 3" in diameter:** Cool the Burn. Run cool water over the burned area for 5 minutes, or until the pain diminishes. Never put ice on a burn!

### Bandage the burn with sterile gauze:

It is important to use loosely wrapped gauze. This will avoid pressure and the bandage protects blisters. NEVER put lotions, vaseline, ointments or butter on burn. Do not break any blisters, which can cause infection.

### Take Aspirin, Ibuprofen, Naproxen or Acetaminophen to relieve pain:

Minor burns usually heal with these basic treatments. Be aware for signs of infection which may include: increased pain, redness, fever, swelling or oozing. If symptoms develop, seek medical help. Avoid tanning the burned area for at least a year. Protect the area with sun-screen outdoors. Avoid giving aspirin to children.

### For 3rd degree burns/all major burns - DIAL 911

**DO NOT run cold water over large severe burns - this can cause shock.**

**DO NOT remove burnt clothing.**

**Check for signs of breathing/coughing/movement.**

**If there are no signs of breathing begin CPR.**

**Elevate burned areas above heart level, if possible.**

**Cover the burn(s) with cool, sterile, moist bandages, towels or cloth.**

### CHOKING

Most people clutch at their throats when choking, an obvious symbol for help. However, if a person isn't giving that signal, be alert for these indications. Inability to talk, difficulty breathing or noisy breathing, inability to cough forcefully, skin/lips/nails turning blue, loss of consciousness.

The Red Cross recommends a "five-and-five" method for first aid: First give five blows between the person's shoulders with the heel of your hand. Second, perform the Heimlich maneuver (abdominal thrusts) five times. Alternate between five back blows and five abdominal thrusts until the blockage is dislodged.



**IN AN EMERGENCY, DIAL 911**

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