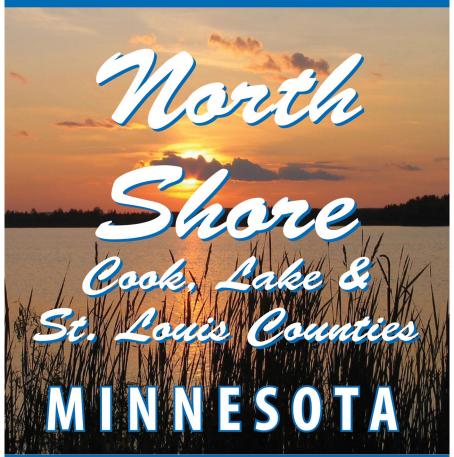
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Local Area Events

JANUARY

Duluth's Big Jig Ice Fishing Contest & Festival The Duluth Bridal Show Boulder Lake Ski Race | Duluth Gillette Radiothon | Duluth Gingerbread Arts & Craft Show | Duluth Great Lakes Pond Hockey Classic | Duluth Holiday Spirit in the Lights | Duluth John Beargrease Sled Dog Marathon | Duluth MCSA Governors Cup College Ski Race | Duluth Nordic Spirit Cross-Country Ski Race | Duluth Northwoods Snowshoe Championship | Duluth USSA Chevy Revolution Tour | Duluth USSA Freestyle Half-Pipe Event | Duluth USSA Ski Race | Duluth Warmer by the Lake | Duluth Winter Carnival | Duluth Winter Jig Highland Dance Competition | Duluth Sawtooth International XC Ski Race | Grand Marais

FEBRUARY

Ely ArtWalk Ely Winter Festival Two Harbors Winter Frolic

MARCH

Fun Fair Carnival & Expo | Duluth WolfTrack Classic Sled Dog Race | Ely Puck Days | Eveleth Winter Tracks | Grand Marais

APRIL

Arrowhead Home & Builders Show | Duluth Art for Earth Day Gallery Hop | Duluth Homegrown Music Festival | Duluth Last Chance Bonspiel | Hibbing Sweetwater Shakedown Spring Music Festival | Lutsen

MAY

Christopher & Banks MS Walk | Duluth Dulcimer Day in Duluth Folk Music Festival Memorial Day Parade | Duluth Grand Marais Jazz Festival Dylan Days | Hibbing

JUNE

Grandma's Marathon | Duluth Larkin Hoffman MS 150 Bike Tour | Duluth Lincoln Park District Walleye Open | Duluth Minnesota State H.O.G. Rally | Duluth Park Point Art Fair | Duluth Sieur Du Luth Summer Arts Festival | Duluth Babbitt Walleye Whamma | Ely Finnish American Summer Festival | Ely Peter Mitchell Fun Days Dock Dogs | Ely Wooden Boat Show & Solstice Festival | Grand Marais Hibbing Jubilee Shifters Car Show | Hibbing Knife River Music Festival | Knife River Heritage Days | Two Harbors

JULY

4th of July Celebration | North Shore Beaver Days | Beaver Bay Timber Days | Cook Downtown Duluth Sidewalk Days Finn Fest in Duluth Northshore Dragon Boat Festival | Duluth Spirit Valley Days | Duluth Blueberry Art Festival | Ely Boundary Waters Blues Festival | Ely Mines & Pines | Hibbing Bay Days 10K Road and Trail Run/Walk | Silver Bay Bay Front Reggae Festival | Two Harbors Great Virginia Get-Together

Local Area Events

AUGUST

Brewhouse Triathlon | Duluth Glensheen's Annual Festival of Fine Art & Craft | Duluth Bayfront Blues Festival | Duluth Looney Days | Ely Cook County Fair | Grand Marais Sawtooth Challenge | Grand Marais Grand Portage Bayou Boogie Festival Grand Portage Rendezvous Days & Pow Wow Labor Day Shootout | Hibbing Merritt Days | Mountain Iron South St. Louis County Fair | Proctor Silver Bay Invitational Golf Tournament | Silver Bay Lake County Fair | Two Harbors Summer Celebration Car Show | Virginia

SEPTEMBER

Chisholm Fire Days Burrito Union 10-hr Triathlon | Duluth Grandma's Oktoberfest Celebration | Duluth NorthShore Inline Marathon | Duluth Harvest Moon Festival | Ely A Taste of the Gunflint Trail | Grand Marais WTIP Radio Waves Music Festival | Grand Marais

OCTOBER

Boo at the Zoo | Duluth Haunted Ship | Duluth Midnight Sun Grand Traverse | Duluth Wolf Family Rendezvous | Ely Moose Madness Festival | Grand Marais

NOVEMBER

AMSOIL Duluth National Snocross Bentleyville "Tour of Lights" | Duluth Gales of November | Duluth Gobble Gallop Race | Duluth PAVSA Art Auction | Duluth The Polar Express Train Ride | Duluth Arctic Film Festival | Grand Marais

DECEMBER

Glensheen Holiday Brunches | Duluth Holiday Banquet & City Lights Tour | Duluth Holiday Gallery Stroll | Duluth Holiday Spirit in the Lights | Duluth Weihnachtsfest | Duluth A Northwoods Christmas | Ely Bayfront Festival of Lights | Grand Marais Winter Solstice at Two Harbors



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Cook County History (Grand Marais, County Seat)

Cook County was originally populated by the Dakota and Chippewa Indians until French explorers arrived in the 1600s. Fur trading became popular along the North Shore as pelts were exchanged and sold for supplies until the 1800s. Then development began after discovery of iron ore in the Vermillion Range. Railroad lines were built as a means to transport the iron ore in the late 1800s. In the early 1900s, Cook County witnessed an influx of settlers arriving to obtain homesteads and work for the timber mills. Travel then increased with the advent of roads. Fishing, farming, logging and tourism dominated the industry in the area until the 1950s when commercial fishing declined. Today Cook County is home to approximately 5,437 residents.

GRAND MARAIS (COUNTY SEAT) - pop. 1,418SCHROEDER TOWNSHIP - pop. 218GRAND PORTAGE - pop. 582TOFTE TOWNSHIP - pop. 261LUTSEN TOWNSHIP - pop. 362*Populations are approximate.

Cook County Communities

GRAND MARAIS (COUNTY SEAT)

Grand Marais was originally called "Kitchi-Bitobig" by the Chippewa Indians, which meant "Double Body of Water" for its two bays on Lake Superior. The area had been an Indian village until European settlement. French fur trappers named the area "Grand Marais," loosely translated to great marsh. Fur trading was common in the early 1800s as the American Fur Company competed with the Northwest Company until 1802. In the 1850s fur trading declined and fishing, logging and mineral prospecting led the industry. With its proximity to the Sawtooth Mountains, Boundary Waters Canoe Area and the Superior National Forest, Grand Marais now attracts many visitors who enjoy year-round recreational activities. Today Grand Marais is home to approximately 1,418 residents.

GRAND PORTAGE

The Chippewa Indians initially occupied Grand Portage and in 1731 the first European settlement was established. Grand Portage is home to the High Falls, the highest waterfall in Minnesota. The falls were dangerous to travel and as a result, the Chippewa created a nine mile trail to Lake Superior or the "Grand Portage." The area became the center of activity for the North Shore as fur was traded and sold by the Northwest Company. As fur trading declined, logging, fishing and mining boomed and tourism currently leads the industry. Today Grand Portage is home to approximately 582 residents.

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Lake County History (Two Harbors, County Seat)

Lake County spans 2,062 miles and is located in the Arrowhead Region of Northeastern Minnesota. The Dakota and Chippewa tribes occupied the area until European fur traders, missionaries and trappers arrived in the late 1600s. Iron ore was discovered by George Stuntz in 1868 on the Vermillion Range and by 1884 Minnesota was part of the iron ore industry. Norwegian and Swedish immigrants began commercial fishing on Lake Superior at the turn of the century and the Two Harbors Lighthouse was built to guide ships in 1892. The Mesabi Range, the chief iron ore deposit in the United States, was discovered by the Merritt Brothers and the Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Company was established. Lake County is bordered by Lake Superior, the largest freshwater lake in the world. Two public marinas, historical shipwrecks and two lighthouses can be found along the shoreline. Four state parks, the Boundary Waters Canoe Area and a national forest are located within Lake County's boundaries, offering residents and visitors many recreational opportunities such as hiking, camping and fishing. Today Lake County is home to approximately 10,609 residents.

 BEAVER BAY – pop. 170
 FA

 SILVER BAY – pop. 1,840
 SI

 TWO HARBORS (COUNTY SEAT) – pop. 3,287
 SI

 BEAVER BAY TOWNSHIP – pop. 570
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 CRYSTAL BAY TOWNSHIP – pop. 654
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FALL LAKE TOWNSHIP – pop. 613 SILVER CREEK TOWNSHIP – pop. 1,186 STONY RIVER TOWNSHIP – pop. 217 *Populations are approximate.

Lake County Communities

BEAVER BAY

The Chippewa named this bay "Ga-gijikensikag" or the "Place of Little Cedars." Beaver Bay is located at the mouth of the Beaver River and is the oldest community on the North Shore. A flour mill was built at the falls of the river in the 1800s and has since been a summer colony. Beaver Bay was the county seat until 1886 when it was moved to Two Harbors. Beaver River is known for the plentiful trout and every spring a community fish fry is held. Its proximity to two state parks makes this area a popular recreational spot for visitors. Today Beaver Bay is home to approximately 170 residents.

SILVER BAY

Silver Bay is the newest community on the North Shore and was originally built by the Reserve Mining Company to process taconite, the first taconite processing facility in North America. Employees needed a place to reside and Silver Bay was incorporated in 1956. Today Silver Bay is home to approximately 1,840 residents.

TWO HARBORS (COUNTY SEAT)

Once known as "Agate Bay," the earliest settlers in Two Harbors were those of Norwegian, Swedish, Danish, French, English and Canadian descent. It was a noisy community of single men who worked the harbor which was known as "Whiskey Row" for the multitude of dance halls and saloons until families began to arrive and settle. Churches, banks, schools and other businesses were then built to accommodate the needs of the new residents. The economy was dependent upon iron, timber and fish. The railroad arrived in 1874 to allow for easy transport of goods throughout the country. In 1892 the Two Harbors Light Station, the oldest light house on the North Shore, was built to make the harbor safer for travelers on Lake Superior and was operated 24 hours a day. Two Harbors became the county seat for Lake County in 1886 and was incorporated as a city in 1888. The development of an international highway in 1924 allowed for the tourism industry to boom. Today Two Harbors is home to approximately 3,287 residents.



St. Louis County History (Duluth, County Seat)

St. Louis County is the second largest county in the United States, spanning over 6,000 square miles of picturesque wilderness and over 500 lakes. Dakota and Chippewa Indians occupied St. Louis County area until French fur traders and missionaries arrived. Daniel Duluth, a soldier and explorer from France, is believed to have established one of the first trading posts on the shores of Lake Superior in the 1600s. Once known as part of Superior County, St. Louis County was established in 1855 and is named after the St. Louis River. With the discovery of iron ore, St. Louis County forms part of the Iron Range where taconite mining continues today and is home to the fastest and largest lift bridge in the world, allowing ships to pass through the canals of Lake Superior. Visitors can enjoy many recreational activities as the Superior National Forest, Voyageurs National Park and the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness are located here. Today St. Louis County is home to approximately 196,864 residents.

AURORA -pop. 1,746BABBITT -pop. 1,562BIWABIK -pop. 974BROOKSTON -pop. 90BUHL -pop. 983CHISHOLM -pop. 4,594COOK -pop. 618DULUTH (COUNTY SEAT) -pop. 84,284ELY -pop. 3,473EVELETH -pop. 3,582FLOODWOOD -pop. 497GILBERT -pop. 1,755HERMANTOWN -pop. 9,361HIBBING -pop. 16,209 HOYT LAKES – pop. 1,956 IRON JUNCTION – pop. 85 KINNEY – pop. 190 LEONIDAS – pop. 55 MCKINLEY – pop. 83 MEADOWLANDS – pop. 106 MOUNTAIN IRON – pop. 2,921 ORR – pop. 242 PROCTOR – pop. 2,839 TOWER – pop. 477 VIRGINIA – pop. 8,480 WINTON – pop. 187 *Populations are approximate.

St. Louis County Communities

AURORA

Aurora, Latin for "morning," is a mining town on the Mesabi Range that was founded in 1898 and incorporated in 1903. It was originally located near the Meadow Mine but settlers believed it was too far from the Duluth and Iron Range Railroad. It was moved one mile south in 1905 and the community developed rapidly due to its new proximity to the railroad. Aurora became the trade center for former miners who turned to agriculture as the local mines became exhausted. Today Aurora is home to approximately 1,746 residents.

BABBITT

Christian Wieland a seasoned woodsman, guided geologist Henry Eames to Lake Vermillion in 1885 and along the way they discovered iron ore near Babbitt's present location. In 1869 the Ontonagon Syndicate was created by Wieland to explore the mineral deposits in northern Minnesota. Babbitt soon became a mining town. As the prospect of finding more iron ore grew, so did the community of Babbitt. Today Babbitt is home to approximately 1,562 residents.

CHISHOLM

Originally called "Meebeega" meaning "Rough Earth" by the Chippewa Indians, Chisholm was first explored by E.J. Longyear in 1892. Located in the heart of the Iron Range, Chisholm was platted and incorporated as a village in 1901. Due to the high amount of mining work and close proximity to the railroad, Chisholm grew dramatically. There were over 6,000 residents and over 500 buildings by 1908 until a forest fire destroyed the town. Building codes were improved and within a year, over 70 fireproof buildings had been constructed. In 1934 Chisholm became a city and residents continue to celebrate Chisholm Fire Days in celebration of their perseverance. To-day Chisholm is home to approximately 4,594 residents.

COOK

Called "Ashwa" by the Dakota and Chippewa Indians meaning "By the River," Cook was a stopping place as they traveled to and from Lake Vermillion. The first homesteaders arrived in present day Cook in 1900. Many sought the free 160 acres the government provided if one established residence and improved the land for five years. In 1903 Cook was established and timber milling led the industry. Today Cook is home to approximately 618 residents.

St. Louis County Communities

DULUTH (COUNTY SEAT)

Duluth was originally occupied by Dakota and Chippewa Indians. French explorers arrived in the 1600s and began trapping and trading fur. Daniel Duluth was sent by the French to settle disputes between the tribes and to progress the fur trading industry, thus the area came to be known as Duluth. Upon settlement, Duluth was the only port in the United States with access to the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans where lumber, wheat and iron ore were shipped. The arrival of the railroad furthered its progress. Duluth was soon the fastest growing and largest city in the United States until a stock market crash in 1873. With the abundance of natural resources, Duluth recovered and is the largest city on the North Shore. Today Duluth is home to approximately 84,284 residents.

ELY

Occupied by the Chippewa Indians, Ely was explored by French fur traders. As prospectors arrived in search of gold, rich iron ore deposits were discovered here in 1883. On the shores of Shagawa Lake a mining village was established called "Florence." As more iron deposits were discovered west, the settlement moved and was renamed "Ely" after Samuel Ely, a miner from Michigan. The shipment of iron ore began in 1888 and sawmills and logging industries were established to meet the growing needs of the mines. As the industries in Ely began to boom, the railroad was extended to simplify the transport of goods. As of 1916 Ely was a widely known tourist attraction. Today Ely is home to approximately 3,473 residents.

EVELETH

Eveleth was platted in 1892 and is named after Erwin Eveleth. Eveleth was a timber cruiser sent from Michigan to purchase the local pinelands. As iron ore was discovered in 1895, the town relocated closer to the mineral deposits and in 1902 Eveleth was incorporated as a city. Mining continues to be the leading industry. Eveleth is known as the hockey capital of Minnesota where the world's largest hockey stick can be found. Today Eveleth is home to approximately 3,582 residents.

HERMANTOWN

Homesteaders began arriving in the late 1800s to claim government land in what is now Hermantown. The area continued to grow with new residents staking claim on government owned land. By the early 1900s, the railroad linked Hermantown to Duluth and schools, businesses and a city hall were established. A large forest fire in 1918 destroyed most of the development in Hermantown and the Red Cross helped to rebuild it. As more government homesteading projects were designed, the population of Hermantown continued to grow. Today Hermantown is home to approximately 9,361 residents.

St. Louis County Communities

HIBBING

Hibbing was established in 1893 by Frank Hibbing, a German miner who discovered iron ore in the area and was once known as the "Iron Capitol of the World." When a large deposit of ore was found two miles south in the 1920s, Hibbing moved to its present location. Over 20 businesses and 180 houses were moved by logs and steel wheels at the cost of \$16 million, taking several years to complete. The remains of buildings at the old location can still be found. Hibbing is widely known for its famous former residents, most notably, Bob Dylan. Today Hibbing is home to approximately 16,209 residents.

PROCTOR

As the railroad was extending into Duluth, Proctor was created in 1892. Large, flat areas were needed for mining and Proctor was a suitable site. Iron ore sorting yards were constructed here and the area flourished from the industrial development. Formerly known as "White City" for the multitude of white tents used as homes by residents, Proctor was named and incorporated as "Proctorknott" in 1894 and was later shortened to "Proctor." Today Proctor is home to approximately 2,839 residents.

TOWER

Incorporated in 1889, Tower is the oldest city north of Duluth. It is located near the southern shores of Lake Vermillion. While looking for gold, prospectors discovered hematite with rich deposits of iron in the area. The Soudan Mine, an underground mine, was established and Tower began to thrive. Today Tower is home to approximately 477 residents.

VIRGINIA

Virginia was originally called "Qeechaquepagem" or "lake of the north birds" by the Cherokee tribe. In 1890 the first settlers arrived hoping to find gold. Instead, large iron deposits were discovered and the town was incorporated in 1892. After twice being destroyed by fire, all buildings in Virginia were required to be brick, concrete or stone in 1900. Virginia Rainy Lake Lumber was built in 1909 and was the largest white pine mill worldwide. Today Virginia is home to approximately 8,480 residents.



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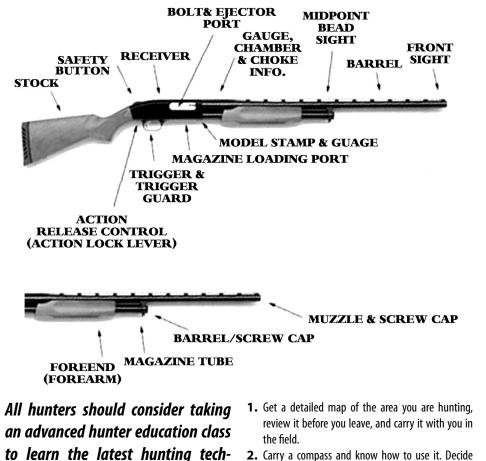


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Minnesota Fishing Seasons

BOWFISHING 05/01/11 - 02/26/12; 05/01/10 - 02/27/11

WALLEYE, SAUGER & NORTHERN PIKE 05/01/10 - 02/27/11; 05/15/10 - 02/27/11

LARGEMOUTH BASS 05/15/10 - 02/27/11; 05/14/11 - 02/26/12

SMALLMOUTH BASS 05/14/11 - 02/26/12 (Catch & Release) 09/12/11 - 02/26/12

LAKE TROUT

05/14/11 - 09/30/11 (Lake Superior) 01/15/11 - 03/31/11 (Boundary Waters) 01/01/11 - 03/31/11 (Outside Boundary Waters) 01/15/11 - 03/31/11 **STREAM TROUT** (Southeast Zone) 04/01/11 - 04/13/11; 04/16/11 - 09/14/11 (All Zones) 01/15/11 - 03/31/11; 05/15/10 - 10/31/10 (All Zones Except Southeast Zone) 04/16/11 - 09/30/11

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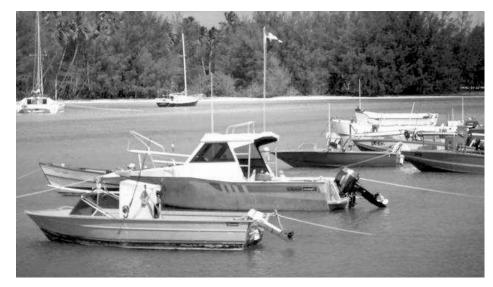
TAKE-A-KID FISHING WEEKEND 02/19/11 - 02/21/11; 06/10/11 - 06/12/11

TAKE-A-MOM FISHING WEEKEND 05/07/11 - 05/08/11

*Contact the MN DNR for specific zone information by calling: 1 (888) 665-4236.

Common Fish Species

Harris		1000
Bass	Crappie	Smelt
Catfish	Muskellunge	Sunfish
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Carp	Northern Pike	Trout
Ciscos-Tullibe-Herring	Salmon	Walleye



Boating Safety

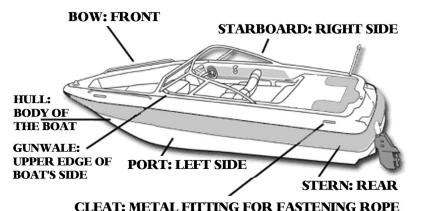
Operating Watercraft

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



BEAM: MAXIMUM WIDTH OF BOAT



COME ABOARD BOAT. **DRAFT: DEPTH OF WATER NEEDED**

KEEL: CENTERLINE OF BOAT OR EXTENSION OF HULL (INCREASES STABILITY)

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 age21 years or older old 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 guick 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 guick 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.

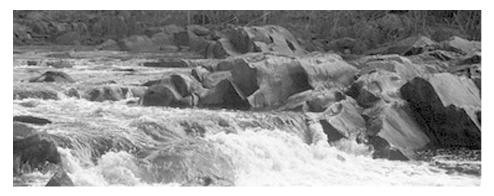
Children under age 10 must wear a device when on board a boat that is underway unless:

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.



Improving Lakes, Rivers & Streams

- Use phosphorus-free fertilizers to help control algae growth. Phosphorus helps to feed algae. Excessive algae makes swimming and fishing unpleasant, and stresses fish and wildlife.
- Bag your lawn clippings or use them for compost. Grass and leaves also contain phosphorus which promote algae growth. Trimmings that end up in streets end up polluting lakes and streams.
- Utilize rain barrels for gardening to help reduce runoff, as runoff transports pollutants to lakes and streams.
- Pick up after your pets, as their waste causes algae growth and has bacteria.
- Use alternative methods for controlling pests and weeds, or limit your chemical use to the minimum amount required.
- Maintain your lawn by seeding bare patches, aerating and allowing your grass to grow between 2½-3 inches to prevent soil erosion and promote strong roots.
- Swap your lawn for native plants, as native plants have deeper roots which prevent soil erosion.
- Be aware of what you put down drains and toilets. Oils, paints and hazardous chemicals should never be flushed. Hazardous waste should be disposed of in the proper manner.
- Utilize environmentally friendly household products, such as dishwashing soap and laundry detergent.
- Conserve water by turning it off when not needed, as it reduces the amount of water that needs to be treated for consumption.
- Utilize porous pavers for walkways and driveways to lower the amount of water runoff.

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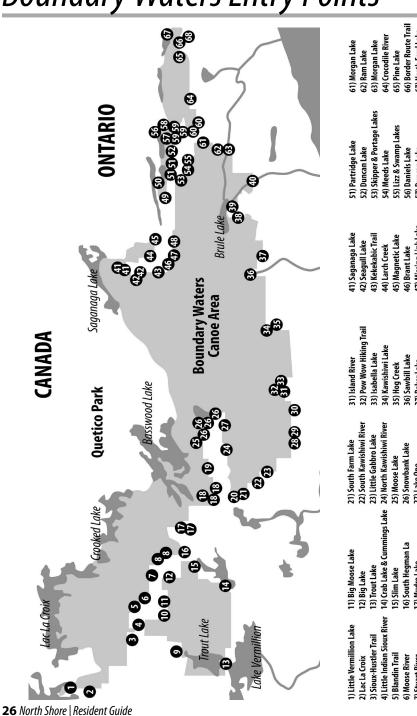
• Volunteer to monitor lake levels by calling the DNR Lake Level Program at (651) 259-5700 or volunteer to assist with measuring pollution levels by calling the Citizen Lake Monitoring Program at (651) 296-6300.

Boundary Waters Canoe Area

- Established in 1978, the Boundary Waters Canoe Area, or BWCA, encompasses over one million acres of wilderness and is managed by the Superior National Forest.
- Permits are required to enter the BWCA at all times.
- Access to the BWCA is limited to the entry point and date shown on your permit.
- Motorized or mechanical equipment may never be used in the BWCA, unless designated otherwise.
- Fish remains must be disposed of well away from shorelines and trails.
- Glass bottles and cans are not allowed in the BWCA.
- The maximum group size is nine people and four watercraft in the BWCA.
- Wash dishes and bathe at least 150 feet from natural water sources.
- Fires are only allowed within steel fire grates at designated campsites.
- Burning trash is not allowed in the BWCA.
- Dogs are allowed in the BWCA, but must be controlled and leashed at all times.
- Firearm use is prohibited within 150 yards of any human occupied area.
- State hunting and fishing regulations apply in the BWCA.
- Fireworks of any kind are illegal in the BWCA.
- For more information on the BWCA, call (218) 626-4300.



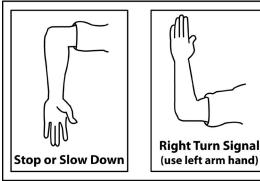
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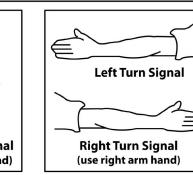




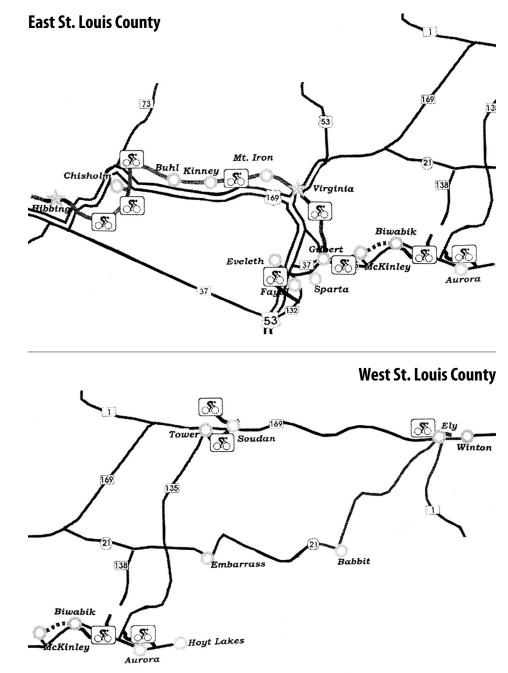
Bicycle Safety

- 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.





North Shore Bicycle Trails



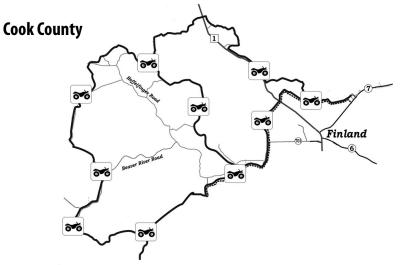
ATV Safety

- 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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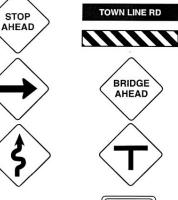
Snowmobile Safety

- 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









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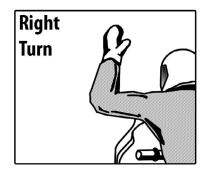




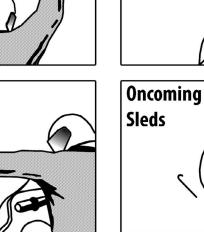
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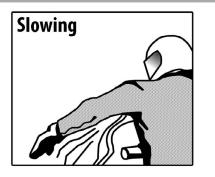
Communication is an essential part of safe riding. Hand signals are a practical way to communicate between other riders and traffic.

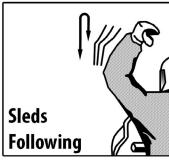
Be sure to give easy to see and clear hand signals when snowmobiling. Hand signals should never be subtle, but always deliberate.







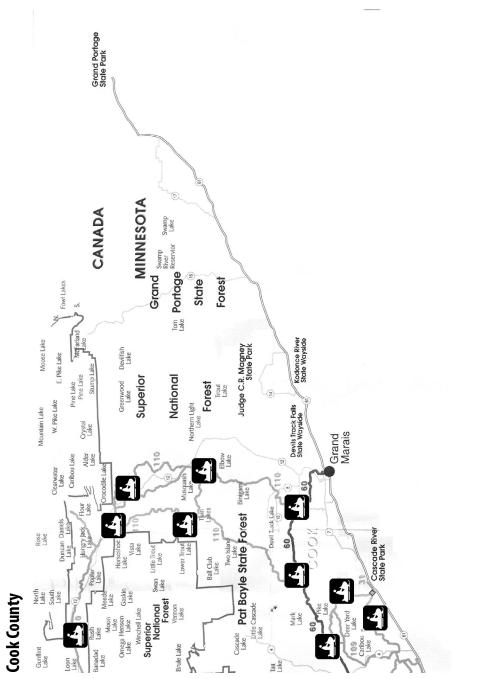








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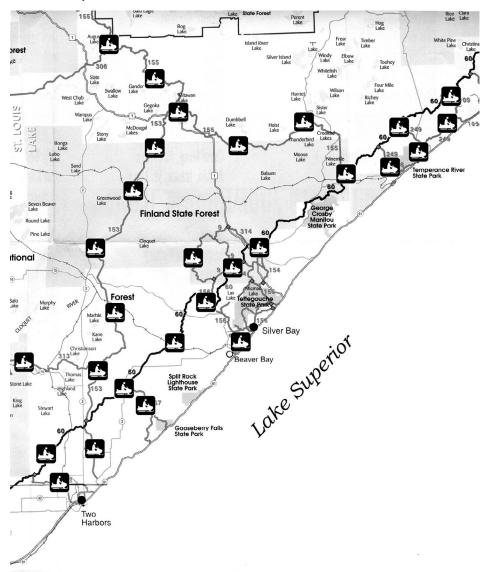


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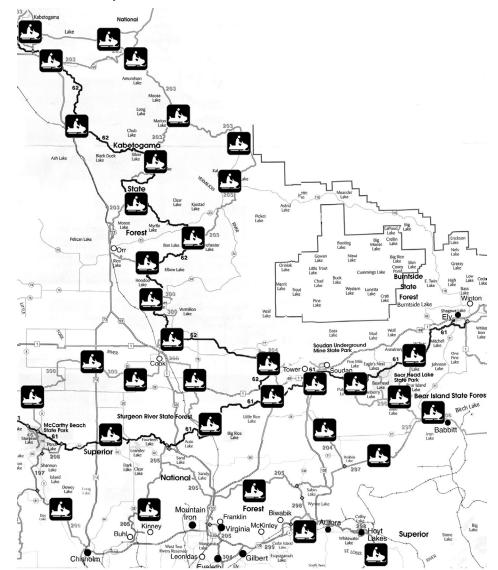
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• Emergency First-Aid Tips •

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 Acetominophen 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 sunscreen 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.

• 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

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