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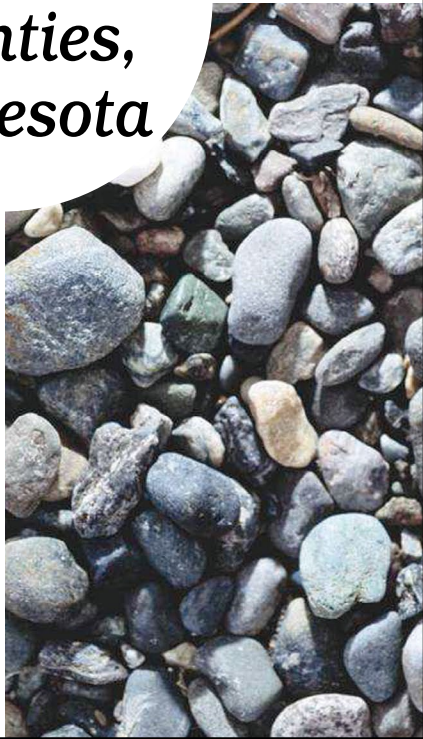
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Local Area Events

JANUARY

Faribo Sno-Go Club Radar Run | Faribault
Owatonna Business Partnership Armory Sale

FEBRUARY

Gala | Faribault
Historical Society Dinner | Owatonna
Little Theatre | Owatonna

MARCH

North America Farm & Power Show | Owatonna
KOWZ-KRUE Home & Rec Show | Owatonna
Spring Stampede Shopping Promotion | Owatonna

APRIL

Minnesota Alpaca Exposition | Owatonna
Little Theatre | Owatonna
Spring Stampede Shopping Promotion | Owatonna

MAY

Rice County Steam & Gas Engine, Inc. Show | Dundas
Business Awards Luncheon | Faribault
Corky's Softball Tournament | Owatonna

JUNE

Free Golf for Dad | Faribault
Straight River Days | Medford
Morristown Dam Days
Taste of Northfield
Thursday on the Square | Northfield
11 at 7 Concert Series | Owatonna

JULY

Ellendale Days
Rice County Agriculture Best of the Best | Faribault
Rice County Fair | Faribault
Ice Cream Social | Lonsdale
Crazy Days | Northfield
Thursday on the Square | Northfield
Five Days of Fun | Owatonna
Hog Roast & Street Dance | Owatonna
Art Festival | Owatonna
Steele County Historical Extravaganza | Owatonna

Local Area Events

AUGUST

Block Party on Central | Faribault
International Market Day | Faribault
Faribault Airfest & Balloon Rally
Fall Style Show | Faribault
Tree Frog Music Festival | Faribault
Cannon-Wells Dualthon | Faribault
Lonsdale Community Days
5k Fun Run | Lonsdale
Thursday on the Square | Northfield
ArtSwirl | Northfield
Steele County Free Fair | Owatonna
Webster Harvest Days
Veseli Hoe Down & Parade

SEPTEMBER

Rice County Steam & Gas Engine, Inc. Show | Dundas
Thursday on the Square | Northfield
Defeat of Jesse James Days | Northfield
Upper Midwest Rabbit & Kavy Show | Owatonna

OCTOBER

Taste of Faribault
River Bend Ramble | Faribault
Faribault Chili Fall Festival
Enchanted Forest | Faribault
Cemetery Stories | Northfield
Harvest Fest | Owatonna

NOVEMBER

Downtown Holly Days | Faribault
Holiday Gathering | Faribault
IRIS 5k Turkey Trot | Faribault
Bazaar Bake Sale & Luncheon | Medford
Shop Owatonna for the Holidays

DECEMBER

5k Reindeer Run | Faribault
Holiday Victorian High-Tea | Faribault
Christmas Concert at Trondhjem Church | Lonsdale
Christmas Cookie & Candy Walk | Medford
Winter Walk | Northfield
St. Olaf Christmas Festival | Northfield
Lighting of the Lights | Owatonna
Hometown Holiday Weekend | Owatonna

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Board of Commissioners.....	332-6100
Corrections.....	332-6106
Court Administration.....	332-6107
Development.....	332-6126
Environmental Services.....	332-6113
Highway.....	332-6110
Human Resources.....	332-6123
Information Technology.....	333-3777
Parks & Recreation.....	332-6105
Planning & Zoning.....	332-6113
Public Health.....	332-6111
Recorder.....	332-6114
Sheriff.....	332-6010
Social Services.....	332-6115
Solid Waste.....	332-6833
University of Minnesota Extension.....	332-6109
Veteran Services.....	332-6117

Residential Services

STEELE COUNTY

Administration.....	(507)444-7400
Assessor.....	444-7435
Attorney.....	444-7780
Auditor.....	444-7410
Board of Commissioners.....	444-7430
Corrections.....	446-7000
Court Administration.....	444-7720
Environmental Services.....	444-7475
Highway.....	444-7670
Human Resources.....	444-7430
Information Technology.....	444-7489
Parks & Recreation.....	451-1093
Planning & Zoning.....	444-7475
Public Health.....	444-7650
Recorder.....	444-7470
Sheriff.....	444-3800
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Rice County History *(Faribault, County Seat)*

In 1844, a fur trader, Henry M. Rice arrived to the Rice County area and traveled with Alexander Faribault. Rice was elected as a senator in 1857 and the county was named in his honor. School districts were organized that same year and the construction of a courthouse followed in 1874 with Faribault as the county seat. Settlers were attracted to the rich farmland and ample water power from nearby rivers and streams. As the railroad arrived, communities began to grow where rail stations once stood. In 1931 a fire destroyed the original courthouse, but was soon rebuilt with the assistance of the Supreme Court. Today Rice County is home to approximately 62,390 residents.

CITIES:

DENNISON – pop. 164

DUNDAS – pop. 1,080

FARIBAULT (COUNTY SEAT) – pop. 22,009

LONSDALE – pop. 3,041

MORRISTOWN – pop. 1,039

NERSTRAND – pop. 226

NORTHFIELD – pop. 19,633

TOWNSHIPS:

BRIDGEWATER – pop. 1,905

CANNON CITY – pop. 1,224

ERIN – pop. 838

FOREST – pop. 1,159

MORRISTOWN – pop. 688

NORTHFIELD – pop. 832

RICHLAND – pop. 526

SHIELDSVILLE – pop. 1,176

WALCOTT – pop. 1,001

WARSAW – pop. 1,462

WEBSTER – pop. 1,846

WELLS – pop. 1,680

WHEATLAND – pop. 1,327

WHEELING – pop. 596

**Populations are approximate.*

Rice County Communities

DUNDAS

Dundas was first settled in 1852 by James Irish. Attracted to the fertile soil and the Cannon River, John and George Archibald arrived in 1857 and named the community after their Canadian hometown. The Archibald brothers established the Archibald Flour Mill, nationally recognized for its fine grade flour. The mill was destroyed and rebuilt throughout history, and its ruins can now be visited. Today Dundas is home to approximately 1,080 residents.

FARIBAULT (COUNTY SEAT)

Established in 1852 by Alexander Faribault, a businessman and fur trader, Faribault quickly grew as a religious and educational center. A sawmill was constructed and the city was incorporated and platted in 1855. Upon development, many schools and churches were built, including the State Academies for the Blind and Deaf, giving Faribault the nickname “Athens of the West.” In 1878 a large fire destroyed many downtown businesses and the community quickly rebuilt. Herbert Sellner, a Faribault native, invented the Tilt-A-Whirl in 1926, which is still produced within the city limits. The city is recognized for its woolen products and garden industry. Today Faribault is home to approximately 22,009 residents.

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Rice County Communities

LONSDALE

Once known as Trondhjem, Lonsdale was established in 1869 as rail lines were built between Farmington and Wells. The railroad station became the heart of the community and by 1902, a blacksmith shop, harness shop and grain elevator were built. In 1902 Lonsdale was incorporated and has since continued to grow dramatically due to its prime location near Interstate 35. Today Lonsdale is home to approximately 3,041 residents.

MORRISTOWN

In search of mill power along the Cannon River, Jonathon and Walter Morris arrived to present day Morristown in 1855. The brothers built the community's first saw mill and the town was named in their honor. The saw mill was converted to a grist mill in 1860 and the community began to grow. As a result, Morristown celebrates Dam Days annually in recognition of its heritage. Today Morristown is home to approximately 1,039 residents.

NERSTRAND

First settled in 1856, Nerstrand was established in 1885 by Osmund Osmundson. Osmundson named the community after a Norwegian city and as rail lines were built, Nerstrand grew as a stop for rail travelers. Today Nerstrand is home to approximately 226 residents.

NORTHFIELD

Attracted to the fertile soil and water power of the Cannon River, John Wesley North arrived to the Northfield area in 1855. Mills and a bridge were built, and the community began to grow. In 1876, the Jesse James Gang arrived to rob the First National Bank of Northfield, but locals refused and the Jesse James Gang was defeated. As a result, Northfield celebrates the annual Jesse James Days in honor of its courageous residents. In 1919, the Malt-O-Meal Company was established, providing breakfast foods across the country. Northfield's main industry includes education, with two prestigious colleges within its city limits. Today Northfield is home to approximately 19,633 residents.



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Steele County History (Owatonna, County Seat)

Originally inhabited by Indians, settlement of Steele County began in the 1850s and land was surveyed and platted into townships in 1854. Steele County included land that was part of Waseca County until 1856. It is named after the Minneapolis settler, Franklin Steele, who was involved with the founding of Minneapolis and was a prominent figure with the construction of mills along St. Anthony Falls. Communities formed near rivers to utilize power and provide transportation. Owatonna was voted as the county seat and in 1891 the first county courthouse was built. Steele County has continued to grow with a population of 2,863 in 1860 and has grown to 21,155 within 100 years. Today Steele County is home to approximately 36,546 residents.

CITIES:

BLOOMING PRAIRIE – pop. 1,967

ELLEDALE – pop. 673

MEDFORD – pop. 1,222

OWATONNA (COUNTY SEAT) – pop. 24,855

TOWNSHIPS:

AURORA – pop. 1,746

BERLIN – pop. 519

BLOOMING PRAIRIE – pop. 536

CLINTON FALLS – pop. 431

DEERFIELD – pop. 716

HAVANA – pop. 622

LEMOND – pop. 527

MEDFORD – pop. 674

MERIDEN – pop. 648

MERTON – pop. 398

OWATONNA – pop. 726

SOMERSET – pop. 861

SUMMIT – pop. 534

**Populations are approximate.*

Steele County Communities

BLOOMING PRAIRIE

Blooming Prairie began as a rail center, built by railroad workers. The community was called Blooming Prairie by the wife of a rail worker and a flour mill was soon constructed. Settlers arrived to farm the land and Blooming Prairie was incorporated in 1873. By 1892, general stores, creameries and schools were established. Residents began celebrating 4th of July in the early 1900s, and continue this day with over 35,000 people in attendance. Today Blooming Prairie is home to approximately 1,967 residents.

ELLEDALE

Thomas H. Brown selected the area known as Ellendale for a community in 1900 because of its fertile soil and proximity to Owatonna and Albert Lea. Named after the wife of the railroad president, Ellen Dale Ives, Ellendale was incorporated in 1901. The Security State Bank was the first established business, and others soon followed including general stores, lumberyards, butcher shops, schools and a post office. Today Ellendale is home to approximately 673 residents.

MEDFORD

Settled in the mid 1800s, Medford began as an agricultural community founded by William Collins who named the community after the ship he was born on. Upon development, Medford continued to grow and now is the site of the Medford Outlet Center, a nationally recognized shopping center. Today Medford is home to approximately 1,222 residents.

OWATONNA (COUNTY SEAT)

The name Owatonna is derived from an Indian word meaning “straight river.” Settlement began in the mid 1800s as stories of the ill Indian Princess Owatonna spread. Legend has it that she was cured by the healing waters of the straight river and many flocked to the area. By 1883, Owatonna was the site of the Minnesota State Fair and the Minnesota State School for Dependent and Neglected Children was constructed three years later. The community became the county seat and with roots in agriculture, the industry of the community is now diverse, with manufacturing outlets, retail centers, colleges and medical institutions. Today Owatonna is home to approximately 24,855 residents.



Parks & Recreation

ACKMAN PARK

County Rd. 12 | Faribault

Located on 1 acre near Cannon and Wells Lakes, Ackman Park features a fishing pier, picnic areas and wildlife viewing.

ALBERS PARK

County Rd. 6 | Webster Township

Located on 6 acres near Union Lake, Albers Park features a reservable picnic shelter, boat launch, hiking trail, playground equipment, grills and wildlife viewing.

BEAVER LAKE PARK

County Rd. 28 | Ellendale

Located on 17 acres near Beaver Lake, Beaver Lake Park features a boat launch, fishing pier, swimming beach with beach house, volleyball courts, horseshoe pits, reservable picnic shelters, hiking trails, playground equipment and wildlife viewing.

CANNON RIVER WILDERNESS AREA

Hwy. 3 | Dundas

Located on 850 acres near the Cannon River, the Cannon River Wilderness Area features a campground, reservable picnic shelter, boat launch, hiking and equestrian trails, horseshoe pits and wildlife viewing.

CARON PARK

County Rd. 88 | Cannon City Township

Located on 60 acres, Caron Park features a waterfall, reservable picnic shelter, hiking trails and wildlife viewing.

CIRCLE LAKE PARK

County Rd. 1 | Forest Township

Located on 2 acres near Circle Lake, Circle Lake Park features a boat launch, fishing pier and wildlife viewing.

CRANE CREEK PARK

Hwy. 14 | Owatonna

Located on 4 acres, Crane Creek Park features a reservable picnic shelter, grills, softball field and wildlife viewing.

FAIRGROUNDS PARK

County Rd. 6 | Owatonna

Located on 22 acres, Fairgrounds Park features a reservable picnic shelter with grills, softball and baseball fields, picnic areas, concessions, volleyball court and playground equipment.

FALLS CREEK PARK

Hwy. 60 | Faribault

Located on 63 acres on Falls Creek, Falls Creek features a reservable picnic shelter, hiking trails and wildlife viewing.

Parks & Recreation

HERON ISLAND BIRD SANCTUARY

County Rd. 64 | Erin Township

The Heron Island Bird Sanctuary serves as a conservation area for Great Blue Herons and American Eagle Egrets on Shields Lake.

HIRDLER PARK

Hwy. 21 | Erin Township

Located on 5 acres near Lake Mazaska, Hirdler Park features a reservable picnic shelter, lake access, playground equipment, horseshoe pits and wildlife viewing.

HOPE SCHOOL PARK

Hwy. 3 | Dundas

Located on 1 acre, Hope School Park features a reservable picnic shelter, schoolhouse, grill, softball field and wildlife viewing.

KALINA PARK

Hwy. 59 | Wheatland Township

Located on 1 acre near Phelps Lake, Kalina Park features picnic areas, lake access and wildlife viewing.

KING MILL PARK

Hwy. 3 | Faribault

Located along the Cannon River, King Mill Park features the King Mill Dam, fishing pier, reservable picnic shelter and wildlife viewing.

MCCULLOUGH PARK

County Rd. 64 | Erin Township

Located on 104 acres near Shields Lake, McCullough Park features a campground, picnic areas, lake access, horseshoe pits and wildlife viewing.

MINERAL SPRINGS PARK

Cherry St. NE | Owatonna

Located on 48 acres, Mineral Springs Park features reservable picnic shelters, horseshoe pits, volleyball courts, playground equipment and wildlife viewing.

NERSTRAND BIG WOODS STATE PARK

County Rd. 88 | Nerstrand

Located on 2,882 acres, Nerstrand Big Woods State Park features a campground, hiking and snowmobile trails, picnic areas, playground equipment, visitor center and wildlife viewing.

OWATONNA SKATE PARK

Cherry St. NE | Owatonna

The Owatonna Skate Park features equipment rentals and seasonal/daily passes for skateboarding and inline skating.

RICE LAKE STATE PARK

Rose St. | Owatonna

Located on 1,071 acres, Rice Lake State Park features a campground, picnic areas and wildlife viewing.

RIVER SPRINGS WATER PARK

St. Paul Rd. | Owatonna

The River Springs Water Park features water slides, lazy river, lily pad walk, volleyball court and an activity pool with water basketball.

SAKATAH LAKE STATE PARK

Hwy. 60 | Morristown

Located on 842 acres on Sakatah Lake, Sakatah Lake State Park features a campground, hiking trails, picnic areas, lake access and wildlife viewing.

SHAGER PARK

Hwy. 60 | Warsaw Township















Located on 3 acres near Cannon Lake, Shager Park features a campground, reservable picnic shelter, boat launch, fishing pier, swimming beach, hiking and snowmobiling trails and wildlife viewing.

VELZKE PARK

County Rd. 28 | Faribault

Located on 2 acres on Wells Lake, Velzke Park features picnic areas and wildlife viewing.

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 & energy.
-  Bring your own reusable shopping bags with you to the supermarket or the mall.
-  Donate your unwanted clothing to a local charity.
-  Recycle your used ink and toner cartridges. Most office supply stores accept used cartridges.
-  Recycling your used batteries 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 the quality of our water supply and soil.
-  Unplug any unused appliances, especially if you're not going to be home. Your cellphone charger uses electricity, even when you're phone isn't charging.
-  Bring your own lunch. You'll avoid using non-recycleable 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.
-  Repurpose old items. Use old cd's as coasters, or empty yogurt containers to organize nuts and bolts.
-  Be crafty. Let old items be an inspiration for a craft project. Punch holes in tin cans to make candle luminaries or cut "yarn" strips out of plastic shopping bags to knit or crochet into new, reusable bags.
-  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 black-outs.



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HUNTING

RABBIT & SQUIRREL

09/17/11 - 02/29/12; 09/15/12 - 02/28/13

GRAY & RED FOX, BADGER, OPOSSUM & RACCOON

(North) 10/15/11 - 03/15/12; 10/20/12 - 03/15/13
(South) 10/22/11 - 03/15/12; 10/20/12 - 03/15/13

GOOSE

(Spring Light Goose) 03/01/12 - 04/30/12
(Early Canada Goose)

CROW

03/01/12 - 03/31/12; 07/15/12 - 10/15/12

BEAR

09/01/12 - 10/14/12

MOURNING DOVE

09/01/12 - 10/30/12

SNIPE & RAIL

09/01/12 - 11/05/12

DEER

(Archery) 09/15/12 - 12/31/12
(Youth) 10/18/12 - 10/21/12
(Camp Ripley Archery) 10/18/12 - 10/19/12
(Antlerless) 10/20/12 - 10/21/12
(Firearm 2A & 3A) 10/03/12 - 11/11/12
(Firearm 1A) 11/03/12 - 11/18/12
(Firearm 3B) 11/17/12 - 11/25/12
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09/15/12 - 01/01/13

WOODCOCK

09/22/12 - 11/05/12

MOOSE

(Northeast Zone) 09/29/12 - 10/14/12

TURKEY

09/29/12 - 10/28/12

PHEASANT

10/13/12 - 01/01/13

PRAIRIE CHICKEN

10/20/12 - 10/24/12

FISHER & PINE MARTEN

11/24/12 - 12/02/12

FURBEARER TRAPPING

BEAVER

(North) 10/22/11 - 04/30/12; 10/27/12 - 04/30/13
(South) 10/29/11 - 04/30/12; 10/27/12 - 04/30/13

MINK & MUSKRAT

(North) 10/22/11 - 02/29/12; 10/27/12 - 04/30/13
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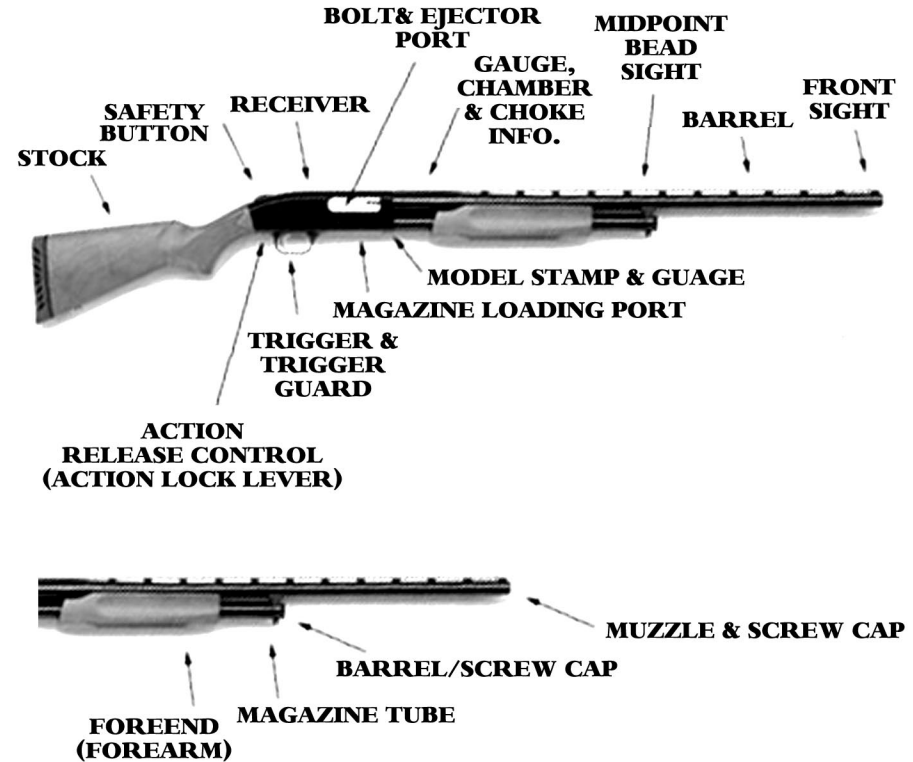
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(North Zone) 10/27/12 - 01/05/13

BOBCAT

11/24/12 - 01/05/13

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 in Minnesota, 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.

2012 Minnesota Fishing Seasons

BOWFISHING

05/01/11 - 02/26/12; 05/01/12 - 02/24/13

WALLEYE, SAUGER & NORTHERN PIKE

05/14/11 - 02/26/12; 05/12/12 - 02/24/13

LARGEMOUTH BASS*

05/14/11 - 02/26/12; 05/12/12 - 02/24/13

SMALLMOUTH BASS*

(Catch & Release) 09/12/11 - 02/26/12

05/14/11 - 02/26/12; 05/12/12 - 02/24/13

LAKE TROUT*

(BWCA) 12/31/11 - 03/31/12

(Outside BWCA) 01/14/12 - 03/31/12

05/12/12 - 09/30/12

STREAM TROUT*

(Southeast) 01/01/12 - 03/31/12; 04/01/12 - 01/13/12

(Catch & Release) 01/14/12 - 03/31/12

(All Lakes) 01/14/12 - 03/31/12; 05/12/12 - 10/31/12

MUSKELLUNGE

06/02/12 - 12/01/12

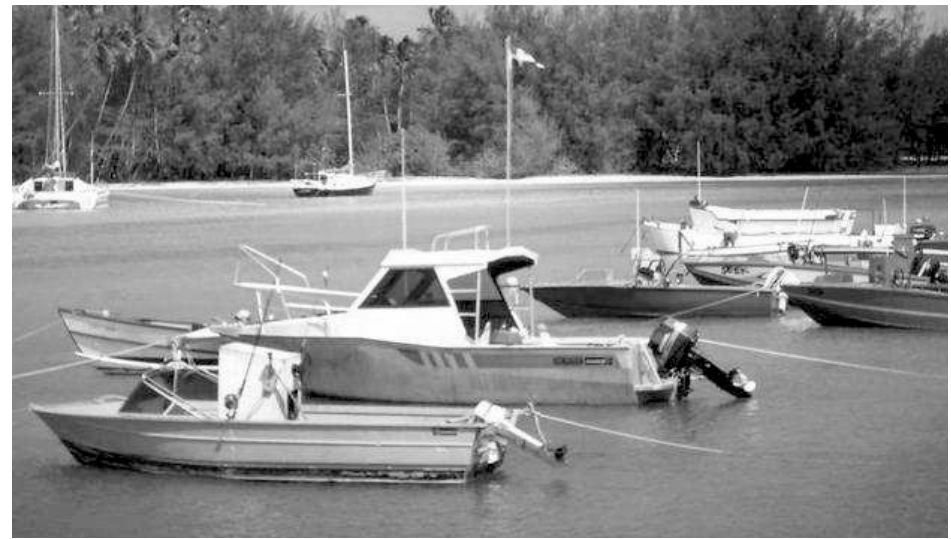
TAKE-A-MOM FISHING WEEKEND

05/12/12 - 05/13/12

TAKE-A-KID FISHING WEEKEND

06/08/12 - 06/10/12

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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.



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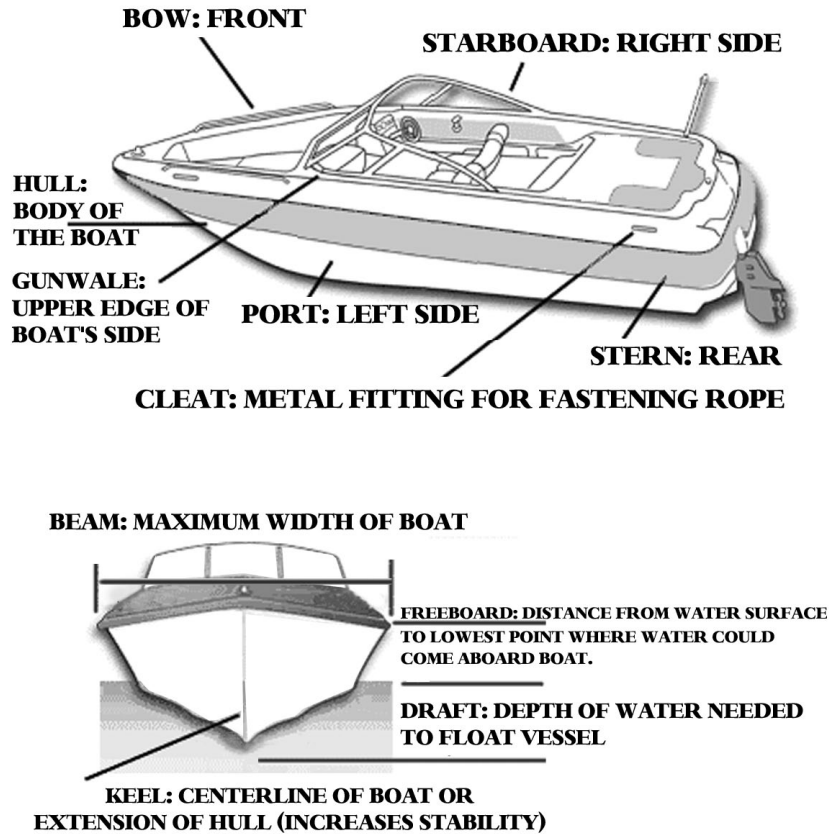
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Boating Safety

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.

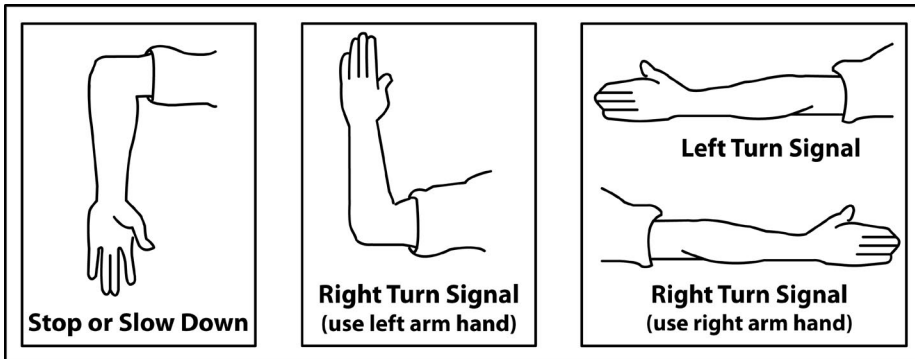
Along with the above at least one approved Type 4 must be on board boats 16 ft. or longer (except canoes and kayaks) and immediately available.

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.

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.



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.



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.

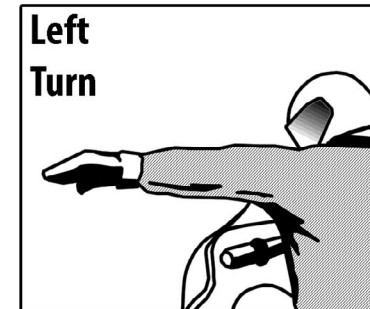
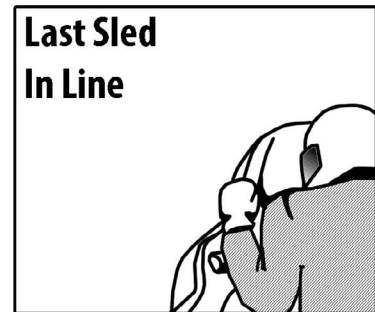
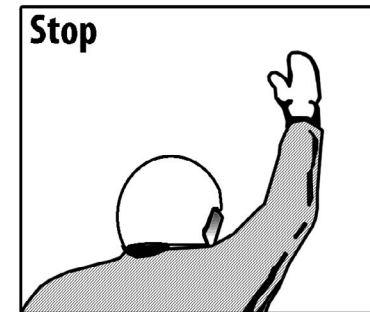
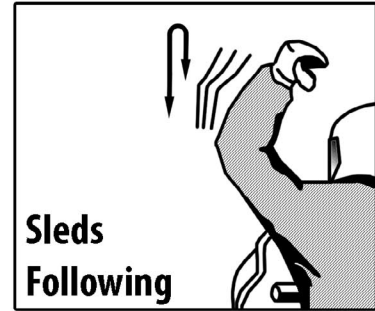
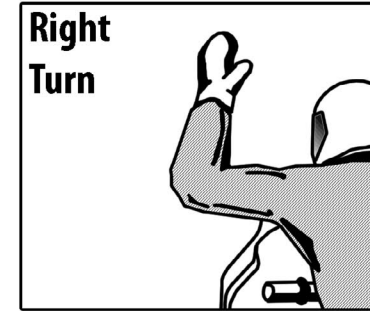
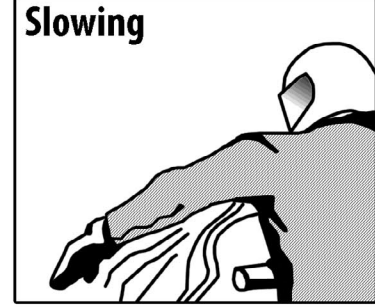
Common Trail Signs



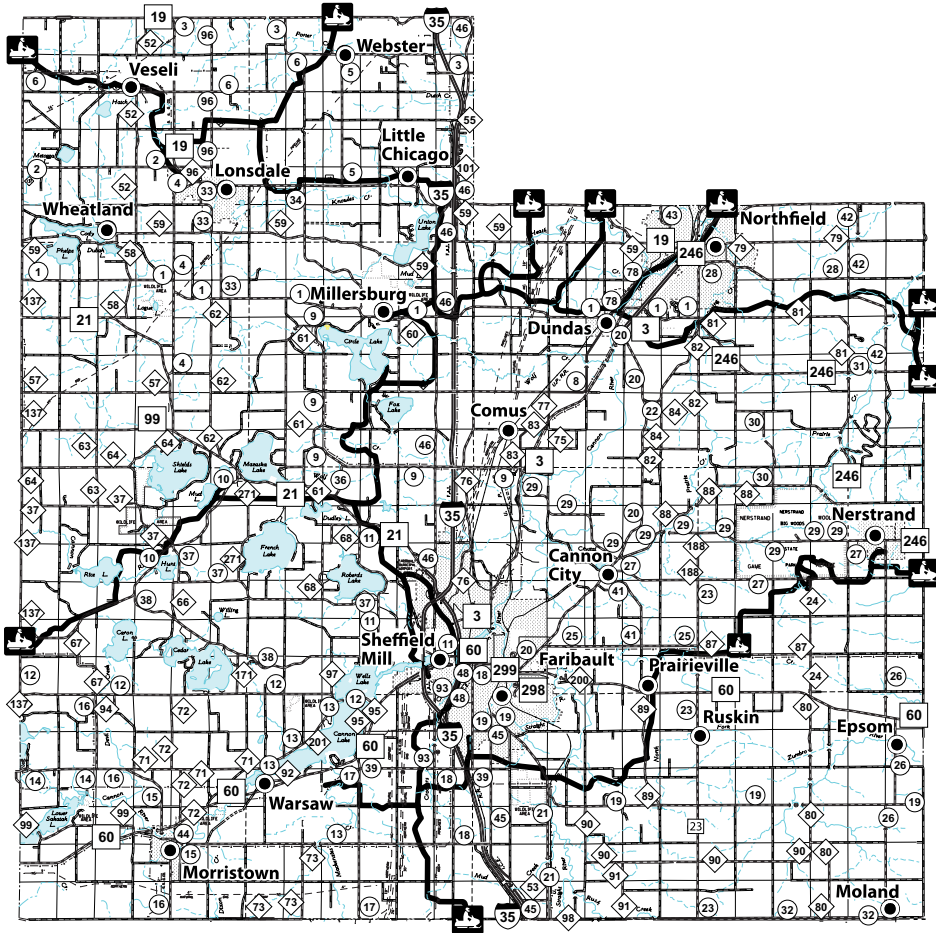
Snowmobile Safety

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.

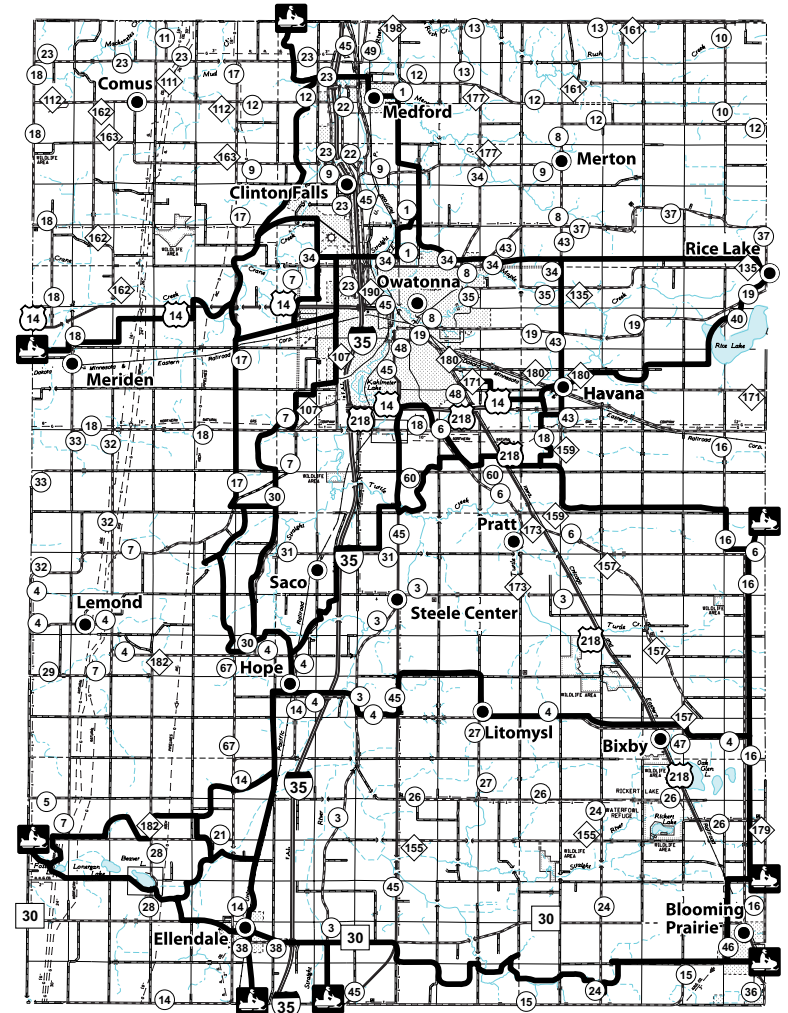


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2012-13 Minnesota Vikings Schedule

REGULAR SEASON

Sunday	09/09	vs. Jacksonville Jaguars	12:00 p.m.	CBS
Sunday	09/16	@ Indianapolis Colts	12:00 p.m.	FOX
Sunday	09/23	vs. San Francisco 49ers	12:00 p.m.	FOX
Sunday	09/30	@ Detroit Lions	12:00 p.m.	FOX
Sunday	10/07	vs. Tennessee Titans	12:00 p.m.	CBS
Sunday	10/14	@ Washington Redskins	3:15 p.m.	FOX
Sunday	10/21	vs. Arizona Cardinals	12:00 p.m.	FOX
Thursday	10/25	vs. Tampa Bay Buccaneers	7:20 p.m.	NFLN
Sunday	11/04	@ Seattle Seahawks	3:15 p.m.	FOX
Sunday	11/11	vs. Detroit Lions	12:00 p.m.	FOX
Sunday	11/25	@ Chicago Bears	12:00 p.m.	FOX
Sunday	12/02	@ Green Bay Packers	12:00 p.m.	FOX
Sunday	12/09	vs. Chicago Bears	12:00 p.m.	FOX
Sunday	12/16	@ St. Louis Rams	12:00 p.m.	FOX
Sunday	12/23	@ Houston Texans	12:00 p.m.	FOX
Sunday	12/30	vs. Green Bay Packers	12:00 p.m.	FOX

**Dates and start times are subject to change.*

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

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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 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.

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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.

IN AN EMERGENCY, DIAL 911

Safety Tips for Parents & For Kids

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 ask 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.

Emergency Numbers For Kids

KEEP A COPY OF THIS LIST NEAR EACH PHONE IN YOUR HOUSE

MY ADDRESS: _____

MY PHONE NUMBER: _____

MOM AT WORK: _____

MOM CELL PHONE: _____

DAD AT WORK: _____

DAD CELL PHONE: _____

NEIGHBOR: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT: _____

POISON CONTROL: 1-800-222-1222

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