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


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


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


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


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


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

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

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

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

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

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

 **Reduce - Reuse - Recycle**

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LOCAL AREA EVENTS

JANUARY

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Hardwater Classic | Bemidji
Polar Plunge | Bemidji
Snow Ball | Bemidji
Squirt A Hockey Home Tournament | Bemidji
Taste of Northern Minnesota | Bemidji
US Junior Nationals Curling | Bemidji
Winter Trails Day | Richwood

FEBRUARY

Lake Bemidji Pond Hockey Classic | Bemidji
Minnesota Finlandia | Bemidji
National Championship Speed Skating | Bemidji
White Elephant and Bake Sale | Bemidji
Green Park Rapids Energy Fair & Health Expo

MARCH

Beer Tasting | Bemidji
First National Bank Lumberjack Bonspiel | Bemidji
Headwaters Builder Show | Bemidji
Northern Minnesota Safety Conference | Bemidji

APRIL

Antique, Art & Craft Fair | Bemidji
Easter Egg Hunt | Bemidji
Home Sport & Travel Show | Bemidji
MN State Archery Shoot | Bemidji
Tiny Tots Expo | Bemidji

MAY

Beltrami Multi-Vendor Indoor Garage Sale | Bemidji
Bemidji Chorale Spring Concert | Bemidji
Wellness Fair | Bemidji
P.A.T.H. 5K Walk/Run | Blackduck

JUNE

Bemidji Youth Rally
Kraus-Anderson Walleye Classic | Bemidji
Water Carnival | Bemidji
Chippewa Triathlon | Cass Lake

JULY

Beltrami County Fair | Bemidji
The Birchmont Golf Tournament | Bemidji
Car Show | Bemidji
Leech Lake 4th of July Traditional Powwow | Bemidji
Quilts For All Seasons | Bemidji
Woodcarvers' Festival | Blackduck
Moon Dance Jam | Cass Lake
Ribfest | Cass Lake
Big Bog Festival | Kelliher

AUGUST

Beltrami County Relay For Life | Bemidji
Bemidji Book Festival
First City River Duck Race | Bemidji
Lake Bemidji Dragon Boat Festival | Bemidji
Lumberjack Scramble Golf Tournament | Bemidji
Backwoods Bash | Blackduck
Cajun Fest | Cass Lake

SEPTEMBER

Community Service Day | Bemidji
Gun Show | Bemidji
Headwaters Builders Annual Golf Scramble | Bemidji
NCHS Auxiliary Golf Tournament & Dinner | Bemidji
North Country Arts & Crafts Workshop | Bemidji
United Way Chili Cook Off | Bemidji

OCTOBER

Bemidji First City of Arts Cruise | Bemidji
Bemidji State University Homecoming | Bemidji
Fall Arts, Crafts & Specialty Show | Bemidji
Great Pumpkin 5K Fun Run/Walk | Bemidji
Halloween Dance | Bemidji
Halloween Trick or Treat | Bemidji
Scarecrow Festival | Bemidji
Torsk & Meatball Supper | Bemidji
Village Festival | Bemidji

NOVEMBER

Night We Light Parade & Celebration | Bemidji
United Way Area Victory Dinner | Bemidji

DECEMBER

Candle Light Ski Tour | Bemidji
Christmas High Tea | Bemidji
Lefse Festival Cook-off | Bemidji
Sankta Lucia Festival | Bemidji
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Natural Resource Management	333-4210
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Beltrami County was named in honor of Giacomo Costantino Beltrami, an Italian explorer who founded the most northern sources of the Mississippi river. Beltrami County was established on February 28, 1866. Bemidji was named county seat thirty years later in 1896. Beltrami County's area included about two-thirds of the southern part of the county as well as part of present day Clearwater County. Settlers were attracted to the abundance of timber in the area. The lumber industry was very influential in the county until its decline in the mid 1900s when agriculture took over as the top industry. In 1900 the population of Beltrami County had reached 11,030 residents. Beltrami County is a big tourist destination today because of the high amounts of lakes, recreational activities, history and rich heritage in the area. Today Beltrami County is home to approximately 43,835 residents.

CITIES:

BEMIDJI (COUNTY SEAT) – pop. 13,541
BLACKDUCK – pop. 761
FUNKLEY – pop. 16
KELLIHER – pop. 306
SOLWAY – pop. 73
TENSTRIKE – pop. 207
TURTLE RIVER – pop. 80
WILTON – pop. 195

TOWNSHIPS:

ALASKA – pop. 207
BATTLE – pop. 63
BEMIDJI – pop. 3,360
BENVILLE – pop. 69
BIRCH – pop. 123
BUZZLE – pop. 303
CORMANT – pop. 215
DURAND – pop. 187
ECKLES – pop. 1,098
FROHN – pop. 1,554
GRANT VALLEY – pop. 1,548
HAGALI – pop. 341
HAMRE – pop. 16
HINES – pop. 713
HORNET – pop. 241
JONES – pop. 294
KELLIHER – pop. 159
LAMMERS – pop. 524
LANGOR – pop. 198
LEE – pop. 38
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SHOOKS – pop. 203
SHOTLEY – pop. 57
SPRUCE GROVE – pop. 67
STEENERSON – pop. 30
SUGAR BUSH – pop. 206
SUMMIT – pop. 274
TAYLOR – pop. 123
TEN LAKE – pop. 1,152
TURTLE LAKE – pop. 1,186
TURTLE RIVER – pop. 1,162
WASKISH – pop. 123
WOODROW – pop. 78

CENSUS DESIGNATED PLACES:

LITTLE ROCK – pop. 1,055
PONEMAH – pop. 874
RED LAKE – pop. 1,430
REDBY – pop. 957

**Populations are approximate.*

BEMIDJI (COUNTY SEAT)

Bemidji's name was derived from the Leech Lake Indian word Bemidjigumaug, which means "river or route flowing crosswise." It was also named after Chief Bemidji, an elder of the tribe. Early inhabitants were hunters and grew a large amount of rice in the area. Settlers first arrived to the area in the mid 1880s. Many were attracted to the rich agricultural land and wood for timber. The Bemidji area became very successful because of the trading and logging industry in the late 1800s. Bemidji was incorporated in 1896 and populations increased because of railroads and industry entering the area. By the early 1900s the Bemidji Crookston sawmill was considered the second largest in the nation. Bemidji is the most populous city in Beltrami County and was named the county seat in 1896. Railroads declined in the area in the 1940s and were replaced by automobile traffic and new highway systems. Bemidji is a popular tourist destination today because it is home to the mythical Paul Bunyan and Babe the Blue Ox statues and stories. Today Bemidji is home to approximately 13,541 residents.

BLACKDUCK

Blackduck was named after the abundance of species of duck that can be found throughout Minnesota. The village was developed as the center of a lumbering district in the early 1900s. Lumber was the main industry until its decline in the mid 1900s. Agriculture became very prosperous in Blackduck and still continues to thrive. Today Blackduck is home to approximately 761 residents.

FUNKLEY

Funkley was incorporated as a village on January 14, 1904. Funkley was named in honor of Henry Funkley, a lawyer from Bemidji. It was originally named Hovey Junction for the Minnesota and International Railway station. The town was established in 1903 and business soon entered the area. The post office was also established in 1903 and was in operation until 1967. Today Funkley is home to approximately 16 residents.



HINES

Hines was named in honor of the William Hines family, one of the first that settled in the area. It was originally named Blackduck Township but was renamed in 1915 after postal confusion with the city of Blackduck. Hines was established in 1904 and businesses started arriving. Like much of the area, settlers were attracted to Hines because of the logging industry. Populations increased with the introduction of railroads in the area. Today Hines is home to approximately 713 residents.

KELLIHER

Kelliher was named in honor of A. O. Kelliher, a former agent for many lumber companies in the area. The city was incorporated as a village on October 3, 1903. Populations increased because of its location on the Minnesota and International Railway. Early industry included agriculture and logging. Today Kelliher is home to approximately 306 residents.

NEBISH

Nebish's name is derived from the Ojibway word anibish, which simply means "tea." The post office was established in 1898. The railroad was extended from Nebish into Bemidji in 1905. Nebish became a prosperous town and an agricultural center soon after the railroads were introduced. Populations and businesses in Nebish began to decline after The Minneapolis, Red Lake, and Manitoba Railway closed its operation and its tracks were removed in 1939. Today Nebish is home to approximately 340 residents.

SOLWAY

Solway was named after Solway Firth, an inlet from the Irish Sea between England and Scotland. The post office began in 1898 and populations grew slowly because of arriving businesses and industry. Many of Solway's buildings were erected in the late 1800s. A fire destroyed much of the town in 1905 and 1910. Today Solway is home to approximately 73 residents.

TENSTRIKE

Tenstrike was named by M.R. Brown, the mayor of Crookston, Minnesota after he had success with trading posts in the area. He was quoted in saying that he had made a "Tenstrike" in locating his trading posts in the area. Tenstrike was incorporated as a village on March 11, 1901. Railroads reached Tenstrike by 1900. Populations increased with the arrival of industry and a variety of mills, churches, schools, businesses and manufacturing centers started thriving. Today Tenstrike is home to approximately 207 residents.

TURTLE RIVER

Turtle River was named after the Turtle Lake and Turtle River that flows through it. Construction of the town began in 1899 by Fred DeSilver, who built a hotel and several stores. Railroads were introduced in 1901 and increased the population of the area. The post office was opened in 1899 and was operated until 1944. Two fires had destroyed most of the buildings in Turtle River in the early 1900s. Residents quickly rebuilt and business and agriculture started thriving again. Today Turtle River is home to approximately 80 residents.

WASKISH

Waskish was originally named Wahwaushkayshe, which was shortened to Washkish, and then again to the current Waskish. The first building was erected in 1902. Waskish's first post office was established in 1910. Populations grew slowly with the arrival of businesses and the logging industry to the area. Today Waskish is home to approximately 123 people.

WILTON

Wilton was named after many of the villages and towns found all over the eastern United States and England. Wilton was incorporated on May 26, 1906. Railroads were introduced to the area in the early 1900s. The first post office was established in 1900 and businesses, churches and schools started thriving in the area. Populations increased with the rise of the lumber industry and the introduction of agriculture in the area. Today Wilton is home to approximately 195 residents.

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Did You Know???

- Beltrami County was named after one of its first explorers, an Italian, Count Beltrami.
- Originally, Beltrami County was part of Bemidji County, but in 1889 legislatures authorized the 137 townships to be separated into Beltrami County.
- Beltrami County was fully organized in 1889, and named Bemidji as its county seat.
- Beltrami County hosts 2 Native American Reservations. Red Lake & Leech Lake.
- Beltrami County is made up of 116,000 acres of lakes and rivers and 459,000 acres of state forest land.
- There are 86 townships in Beltrami County.
- In 1902, Beltrami voted 28 full townships and 2 half townships to the newly created Clearwater County.
- In 1923 Lake of the Woods County was created and gave the county its present size of 1,604,695 acres.
- Beltrami County Borders 8 other counties in Minnesota.
- After a 2.1% increase from 2010, Beltrami County is home to roughly 45,375 residents.

TORNADO SAFETY

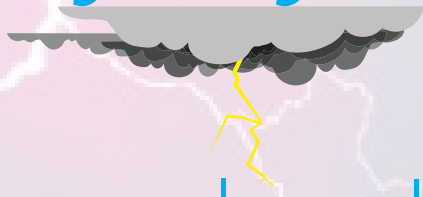
Precautions:

- KNOW WHERE YOU CAN TAKE SHELTER IN SECONDS.
- HAVE A PLACE, EVERYONE KNOWS, TO GO TO AFTER THE STORM HAS PASSED.
- 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.
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09/13/14 - 02/28/15
Small Game - Rabbits, Squirrels season

04/15/15 - 05/28/15
Spring Turkey season-2015

10/18/14 - 03/15/15
Raccoon, Red Fox, Gray Fox, Badger, Opossum
(North) Hunting & Trapping

09/01/15 - 10/31/15
Crow Hunting (3rd season)

10/25/14 - 03/15/15
Raccoon, Red Fox, Gray Fox, Badger, Opossum
(South) Hunting & Trapping

09/19/15 - 12/31/15
Deer Hunt - Archery season

09/19/15 - 02/28/16
Small Game - Rabbits, Squirrels season

10/25/14 - 02/28/15
Furbearer Trapping - Mink and Muskrat - north zone

10/03/15 - 11/01/15
Fall Turkey season-2015

10/25/14 - 04/30/15
Furbearer Trapping - Beaver - north zone

11/07/15 - 11/22/15
Deer Hunt - Firearm season - 1A

11/01/14 - 02/28/15
Furbearer Trapping - Mink and Muskrat-south zone

11/07/15 - 11/15/15
Deer Hunt - Firearm season - 2A and 3A

11/01/14 - 04/30/15
Furbearer Trapping - Beaver - south zone

11/21/15 - 11/29/15
Deer Hunt - Firearm season - 3B

01/01/15 - 01/15/15
Crow Hunting (1st season)

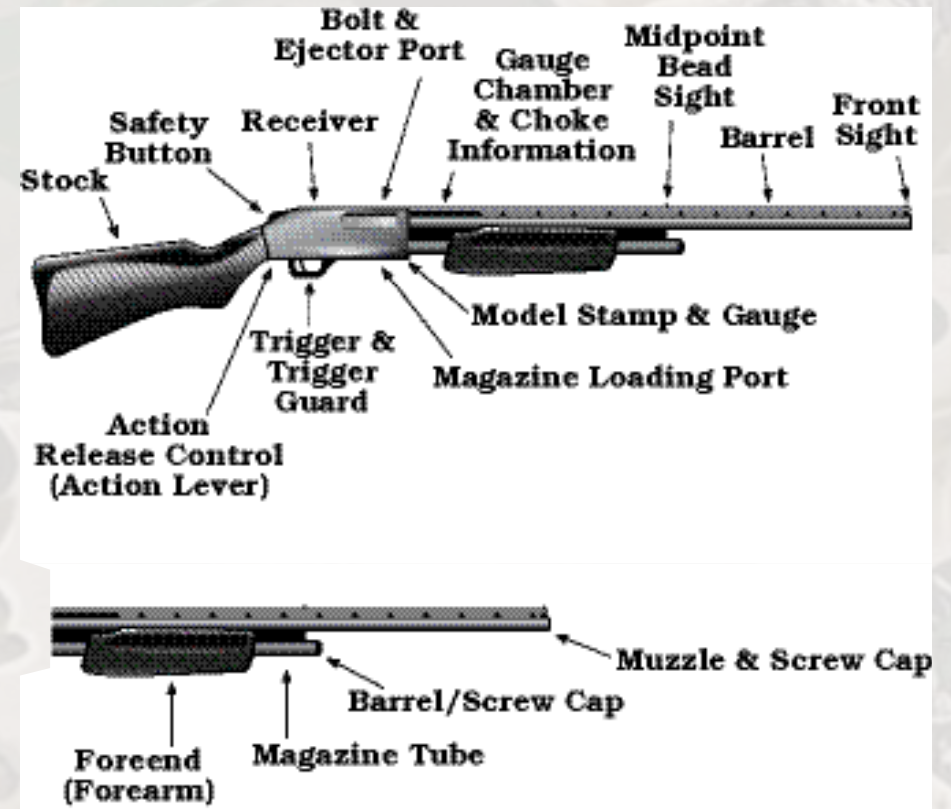
11/28/15 - 12/13/15
Deer Hunt - Muzzleloader season

03/01/15 - 03/31/15
Crow Hunting (2nd season)

12/15/15 - 12/31/15
Crow Hunting (4th season)

04/15/15
Spring Turkey Hunt opener

**At the time of publication not all of the 2014 Minnesota Hunting Seasons were available. Contact www.dnr.state.mn.us for more information.*



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 5 Suggestions for a safe and successful hunting experience:

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

You can purchase hunting and fishing licenses, cross-country ski passes and snowmobile trail stickers through the Electronic License System. Online: www.dnr.wi.gov, Toll Free: 1 (888) 936-7463
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ICE SAFETY GUIDELINES:



Did you know?

- Ice always forms unevenly. It can be 2 feet thick in one spot, and just a few inches thick a couple feet away.
 - The most dangerous ice is formed over flowing water. It's especially dangerous near streams, culverts and bridges. Also, the faster the water is running, usually means the weaker the ice will be.
 - Snow insulates the ice and slows the freezing process. The added weight of the snow reduces the strength of the ice. Also, ice that is closer to shore is usually weaker than ice farther out.
 - Cracking and rumbling ice isn't always bad. The ice expands and contracts as the temperature rises and falls.
 - Fish and birds/wildlife can also effect the ice. Schools of fish can bring warm water from the bottom of lakes, and open holes in seemingly thick ice.
- ALWAYS BE CAUTIOUS WHEN YOU ARE ON ICE!**



FISHING SEASONS

04/26/14 - 02/22/15
Sucker Spearing - 2014 season

04/26/14 - 02/15/15
Bullhead, Redhorse, other rough fish Spearing - 2014 season

04/26/14 - 02/22/15
Bowfishing - 2014 season

05/10/14 - 02/22/15
Walleye, sauger, northern pike - 2014 season

05/10/14 - 02/22/15
Smallmouth Bass - 2014 early season - North and East of U.S. Hwy 53 from Duluth to International Falls and Pelican and Ash lakes in St. Louis County

05/10/14 - 02/22/15
Largemouth Bass - 2014 early season - North and East of U.S. Hwy 53 from Duluth to International Falls and Pelican and Ash lakes in St. Louis County

05/24/14 - 02/22/15
Smallmouth Bass - 2014 season - South and West of U.S. Hwy 53 from Duluth to International Falls and Pelican and Ash lakes in St. Louis County

05/24/14 - 02/22/15
Largemouth Bass - 2014 season - South and West of U.S. Hwy 53 from Duluth to International Falls and Pelican and Ash lakes in St. Louis County

09/08/14 - 02/22/15
Smallmouth Bass - 2014 Catch and Release season only (statewide)

11/15/14 - 02/22/15
Dark House Spearing-2014

01/01/15 - 03/31/15
Stream trout (Winter) SE - 2015 catch and release season

01/17/15 - 01/19/15
Take-a-Kid Ice fishing weekend

05/09/15 - 02/28/16
Smallmouth and Largemouth Bass - 2015 season -North and East of U.S. Hwy 53 from Duluth to International Falls and Pelican and Ash lakes in St. Louis County

05/09/15 - 02/28/16
Walleye, sauger, northern pike - 2015 season

05/09/15 - 05/22/15
Smallmouth and Largemouth Bass - 2015 early Catch and Release season Only -South and West of U.S. Hwy 53 from Duluth to International Falls except Pelican and Ash lakes in St. Louis County

05/09/15 - 05/10/15
Take-a-Mom fishing weekend

05/23/15 - 09/13/15
Smallmouth Bass - 2015 Season -South and West of U.S. Hwy 53 from Duluth to International Falls except Pelican and Ash lakes in St. Louis County

05/23/15 - 02/28/16
Largemouth Bass - 2015 season -South and West of US Hwy 53 from Duluth to International Falls except Pelican and Ash Lakes in St. Louis County

06/05/15 - 06/07/15
Take-a-Kid fishing weekend

06/06/15 - 12/01/15
Muskellunge (Muskie) - 2015 season

09/14/15 - 02/28/16
Smallmouth Bass - 2015 late Catch and Release Only season-South and West of U.S. Hwy 53 from Duluth to International Falls except Pelican and Ash lakes in St. Louis County

*Contact the MN DNR for specific zone information by calling:
1 (888) 646-6367 or go to www.dnr.state.mn.us for more information

Operating Watercraft

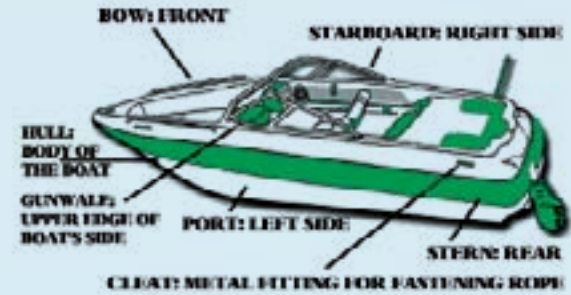
FOLLOW THESE GUIDELINES TO HELP PREVENT AND PREPARE FOR CAPSIZING, SWAMPING, OR SOMEONE FALLING OVERBOARD.

- 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.



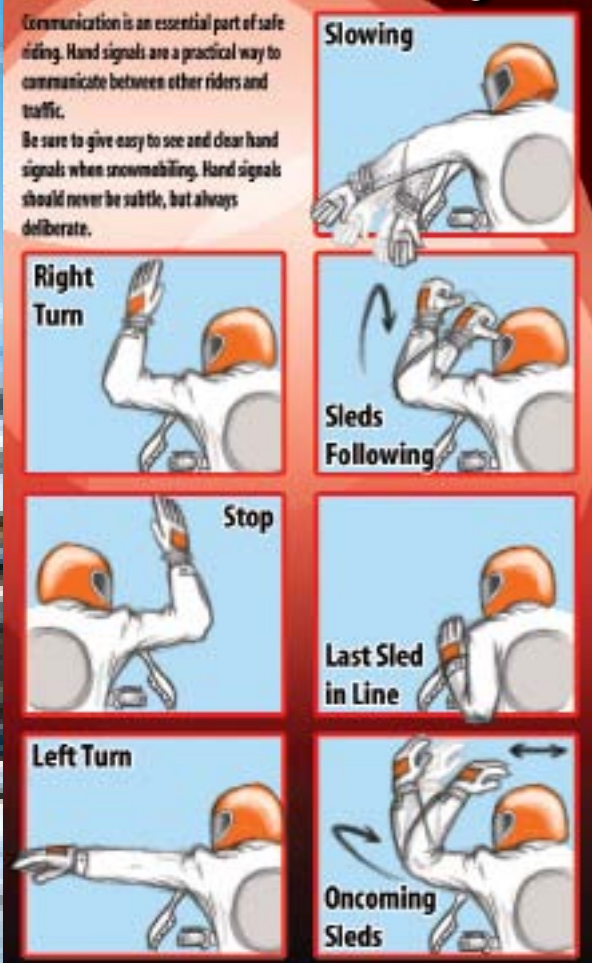
All Watercraft Must Have...

- 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



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



Please respect private property and no trespassing signs. Stay on trails. Exercise extreme caution on all lakes and streams. Obey

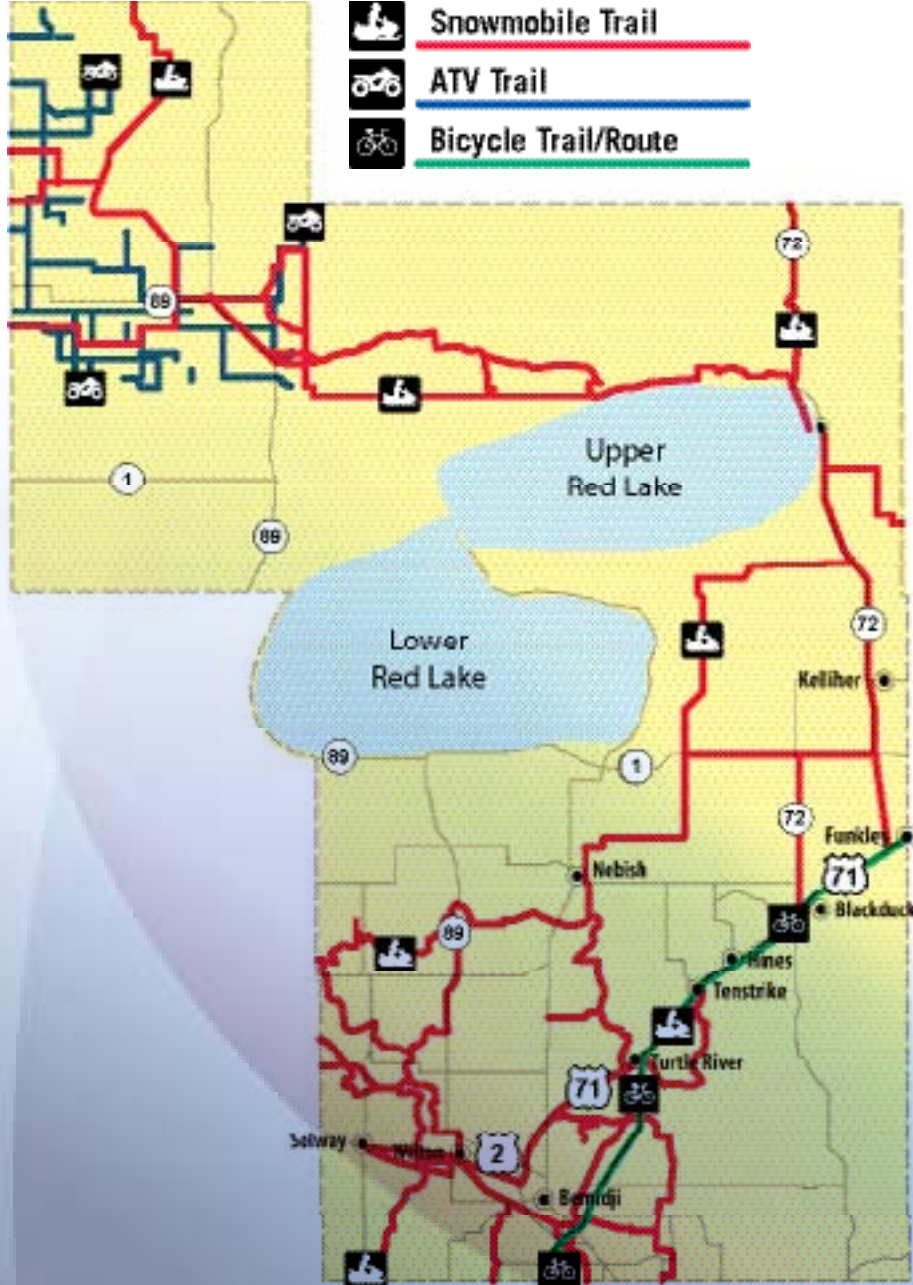
all state and local laws and ordinances. Do not operate snowmobiles/ATV's on county roads or state highways.

- 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.





Backwoods Bash:

Starting Saturday August 17th. The day starts with our 5K, parade at noon and after that many inflatables at the Wayside Rest. In addition to all that, we will have multiple food vendors and various other vendors for your enjoyment.

New this year, we'll have a Blackduck Prince & Princess! Kids can get free pictures with Dora the Explorer brought to you by Paul Bunyan Communications. At the end of the night, a live band and street dance at The Pond.

For more Information contact Heidi Landis at 218-835-5610

30th Annual Woodcarvers Festival:

Annually, for a quarter century, Rain or shine, it is always held on the last Saturday in July. The town explodes with visitors that pack into town to experience this festival. Many wood carvers, from around the nation, bring crafts to display and sell. Along with the artists, food/drink vendors will be in attendance making sure no one goes hungry. Also, don't miss the "Uff-DaTacos" and freshly squeezed lemonade to wash it down.

We will be having a raffle for you to participate in as well. Each year, tickets are sold and a local carver donates one special piece to raffle off. The drawing for this beautiful work of art is held at the end of the day when the lucky winner is notified.

Be sure to mark your calendar to attend this annual, unique experience!

For more information, email toolies@paulbunyan.net

Hey!
check
it out!!!

color me!



silly
JOKES...

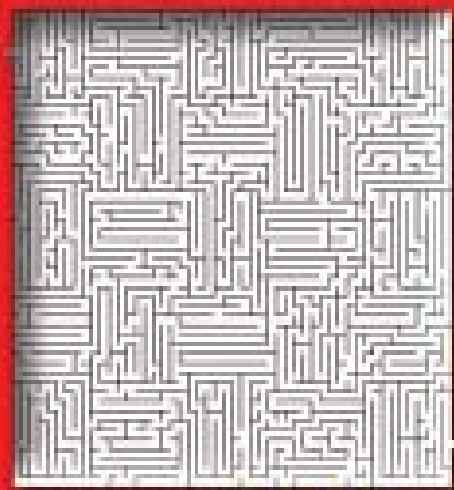
- Q: Why do dogs run in circles?
A: Because it's hard to run in squares!
- Teacher: Doctor, my son has swallowed my pen, what should I do?
Doctor: Use a pencil 'til I get there!
- Q: What's the worst thing you're likely to find in the school cafeteria?
A: The food
- Q: Who invented Graduated?
A: Harry the 1/2th!
- Q: The Perfect homework answer...
Teacher: Where is your homework?
Student: I feel it fighting this 'til she 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 "ho"?
A: Yes...? Oh, so it's you?



WHY did the CHICKEN
cRoSs the PLAYGROUND?

!O GET To THE OTHER
SLIDE!!

Can you find your way?



Sudoku

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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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