

# Welcome to Your Lakeside Retreat!

PLEASE REVIEW THESE IMPORTANT BOATING LAWS AND COURTESY GUIDELINES

WHILE VISITING LONG & BASS LAKE

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## Wisconsin Boating Laws & Safety Requirements

- **Boating Safety Certificate:** Required for anyone born on or after January 1, 1989, to operate a motorized boat or personal watercraft (PWC).
  - **Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs):** Each person on board must have a U.S. Coast Guard-approved wearable PFD. This includes kayaks, canoes, paddleboards, paddle boats, etc. Boats 16 feet or longer must also have a throwable Type IV PFD.
  - **PWCs:** PWCs may not be operated between sunset and sunrise. PWCs must operate at slow-no-wake speed within **200 feet** of any dock, pier, raft, restricted area, or shore.
  - **Slow-No-Wake Zones:** Operate at slow-no-wake speed within **100 feet** of any dock, pier, raft, restricted area, or shore.
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## Courtesy Hours & Local Regulations

- **Quiet Hours:** Please observe quiet hours from 10:00 PM to 7:00 AM to respect fellow guests and neighbors. This includes music, fireworks, and loud gatherings.
  - **Boating Quiet Hours:** Before 10:00 AM and after 7:00 PM please allow for fishing, slow cruising, and paddling activities. During these times avoid skiing, tubing, and use of PWCs.
  - **Local Ordinances:** Always check posted signs. Note fish size limits. No use of enhanced wake devices or wake surfing activities. No use of illegal fireworks.
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## Additional Safety Tips

- **Alcohol and Boating:** Operating a boat under the influence is illegal and dangerous.
  - **Loon Protection:** Loons are a protected species in Wisconsin. Maintain a safe distance and reduce speed when loons or their nesting areas are nearby to avoid disturbance.
  - **Invasive Species:** Please be aware of the spreading of invasive species by cleaning all boats, trailers and equipment that have been in other lakes.
  - **Emergency Contacts:** In case of emergency, dial 911 or contact the local DNR office. Lincoln County Sheriff's Deputy Travis Watruba (715) 218 - 0216
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Enjoy your stay and have a safe time on the water!