

Goose Lake Association Rules

REVISED October 30, 2017



GENERAL RULES:

- 1. OPEN MEMBERS** - These are classified as "A" and "B" Memberships. Membership for Open Members is a "Family Membership" and includes husband, wife and children. Open Members' children over 21 years of age and all married children are not included in a "Family Membership."

"A" Membership has boat (10 HP or less) or 2 single person kayak privileges on Goose, Beaver, Half Moon and Lincoln Lakes. Boats may be stored only at the Goose Lake Club Marina. The use of pontoon boats, speedboats, or personal watercraft (jet skis, etc.) is not permitted on any lake.

"B" Membership has bank fishing privileges on Goose Lake within the boundaries of the campground.

Point of entry to the property for Open Members is at the Main Gate on Goose Lake Road.

- 2. PROPERTY OWNER MEMBERS** - These are the property owners who have access to Goose Lake Association Property and Lakes. Membership is a "Family Membership" and includes husband, wife, and children. Unmarried children over 21, who are still living at home, are included in the "Family Membership". Children, 20 years old and under, are required to obtain and present a valid photo identification to the caretaker for admittance to the beach and campground when unaccompanied by a parent.

- 3. GENERAL POLICY** - The Goose Lake Association does not sanction scuba diving, snowmobiling, or swimming in/on lake waters. The Goose Lake Association has jurisdiction over its members' permitted uses of the lake waters.

- 4. CURFEW** - Anyone under 18 years of age not under the direct supervision of an ADULT MEMBER must leave the Association grounds by 10:00 p.m.

- 5. PERMISSIVE USE** - The Goose Lake Association does not assume liability for accidents to persons using its recreational facilities. Property owners or open members shall not allow the use of their boats or other vehicles on Association property to non-owners or non-members without being present on the property (or their home) on such occasions.

- 6. FINES** - All fines are to be paid within forty-five (45) days of issuing date of ticket. A \$10.00 penalty per month will be assessed until the fine is paid.

7. **GRANDFATHER CLAUSE** - A Grandfather Clause is an exception that allows an old rule to continue to apply to some existing situations, when a new rule will apply to all future situations. As a result, any watercraft that does not meet the requirements of Sections 6.1, 6.2, or 6.6, and are decaled as of November 26, 2007, are "grandfathered in." "Grandfathered in" watercraft will not be issued 2008 or later decals if transferred, gifted, dropped from decaled status and/or sold with the property or to another Goose Lake Association member.

TO PROMOTE SAFETY, THE FOLLOWING RULES SHALL APPLY:

SECTION 1.0: SPECIFIC RULES:

SECTION 1.1: GATE

The main gate is maintained by the Caretaker. Entrance is only permitted from Goose Lake Road. Proceed to the Caretaker's house. Stop for the red light and upon being identified, the light will turn green and you may proceed. Members are responsible for locking the gate when entering or leaving the club when a gate key is used and when the gate is locked.

SECTION 1.2: DECALS

Your current car decal shall be displayed on the right side, lower half of your windshield. The decal shall be permanently affixed to your windshield and displayed when on Goose Lake Association property. There is a limit of four vehicle decals per property owner and Open members "A" and "B" at a cost of **\$15.00** per decal. **When purchasing over two decals, proof of Illinois Registration must be provided for all vehicles.** Violation of this regulation shall result in a fine of \$50.00 for the first violation and \$100.00 for a second, and all subsequent violations, which are attributed to the owner of the vehicle involved in the violation. Such fine shall become an automatic lien on the real property of the vehicle owner or revocation of membership privileges if an Open Member.

SECTION 1.3: MOTORCYCLES

Motorcycles will be permitted on the Grounds only if they have a valid state license plate and a current vehicle decal permanently affixed. No guests' motorcycles are allowed on the Beach or in the Campground Area. Guests on motorcycles are to park in Main Parking Lot.

SECTION 1.4: GOLF CARTS

Golf carts will be permitted on the Grounds only if they have a current decal permanently affixed. No guests' golf cart are allowed and golf carts shall stay on designated roadways. Operator of golf cart must be 16 years of age or older with a valid driver's license. Certificate of liability insurance shall be required before golf cart decals will be issued. All golf carts must Carry a minimum of \$200,000.00 insurance liability for personal injury and property damage.

SECTION 1.5: ASSOCIATION PROPERTY USE

- (a) No Association Property shall be used for pleasure use of sport vehicles of any kind including, but not limited to snowmobiles, dirt bikes, go-carts, golf carts, dune buggies, ATVs, etc.
- (b) The term "Association Property" shall in this context be deemed to exclude the waterways, whether frozen or not, which may be used in accordance with applicable State Law. This provision does not mean that the Association in any way sanctions the use of any sport or

recreational vehicle.

- (c) Recreational or sport vehicles used for transportation purposes shall be allowed into the parking area of the Main Building, and then for parking purposes only.
- (d) All recreational or sport vehicles are subject to all applicable State and Municipal Laws and Ordinances.
- (e) Littering on any Goose Lake Association Property by residents, open members, or hosts of any littering guests, shall be punishable by an automatic fine of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00).

SECTION 2.0: BEACH

SECTION 2.1: BEACH AREA

The beach is under the supervision of the Beach Chairperson and Caretaker. The guards are here for your safety, please cooperate with them.

SECTION 2.2: SWIMMING

- (a) Swimming will be allowed at the beach only when lifeguards are on duty.
- (b) Any child, 10 years of age or older passing the GLA Swim Test, can swim at the beach unaccompanied by an adult. Any child, under 10 years of age who hasn't passed the GLA Swim Test, must be accompanied by a parent or supervised by someone 16 years of age or older.
- (c) Appropriate swimwear is required. No underwear, thong bathing suits, or suits that are deemed too revealing by the lifeguard for a family environment because of transparency, cut, or tightness of fit.
- (d) No swimming at the marinas or in the campground area.

SECTION 3.0: FISHING

SECTION 3.1: FISHING AREA

Boat and shore fishing privileges (except from private property areas) are available to Property Owners and "A" Members only in the various Association areas. "B" Members are allowed shore fishing only on Goose Lake within the boundaries of the campground.

SECTION 3.2: LIMIT

A DAILY FAMILY LIMIT OF 6 GAME FISH (black bass, walleye, catfish and northern) has been set. **PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS NOT AN INDIVIDUAL LIMIT.** Please take and destroy all carp. A (25) combined bag limit of sunfish with a (10) crappie maximum included in the combined sunfish limit has also been set.

The following size limits shall apply:

SPECIES	LINCOLN LAKE	BEAVER LAKE	GOOSE LAKE
Largemouth Bass	18" & OVER 1 fish daily	12" - 18" slot 2 fish UNDER 12" daily 1 fish 18" & OVER daily	12" - 18" slot 2 fish UNDER 12" daily 1 fish 18" & OVER daily
Smallmouth Bass	Catch and Release	Catch and Release	Catch and Release
Cat Fish	6 fish daily	6 fish daily	6 fish daily
Walleye	14" & OVER 3 fish daily	14" & OVER 3 fish daily	14" & OVER 3 fish daily
Muskie	40" & OVER 1 fish daily	40" & OVER 1 fish daily	40" & OVER 1 fish daily
Northern Pike	24" & OVER 3 fish daily	24" & OVER 3 fish daily	24" & OVER 3 fish daily
Rainbow Trout	14" & OVER 3 fish daily	14" & OVER 3 fish daily	14" & OVER 3 fish daily

Panfish: Bluegill, Carppie, Rock Bass, Perch.	Combined limit of 25 total. No more than 10 Crappies allowed. 10" SIZE LIMIT ON ALL CRAPPIE	Combined limit of 25 total. No more than 10 Crappies allowed. 10" SIZE LIMIT ON ALL CRAPPIE	Combined limit of 25 total. No more than 10 Crappies allowed. 10" SIZE LIMIT ON ALL CRAPPIE
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SECTION 3.3: MINNOWS

No minnows are to be dumped or released into the waters.

SECTION 3.4: METHODS

No night lines, trout lines, or jug fishing will be allowed. These lakes are for sport fishing only.

SECTION 3.5: FISHING REGULATIONS

Although this is a property owners' Association, all members are required to have a valid State of Illinois fishing license and to abide by the Illinois Department of Conservation fishing laws.

SECTION 4.0: PICNICS

SECTION 4.1: PICNIC AREA

All picnics on Association property will be held in the picnic area only. Any member with twenty or more for a picnic must request a permit in advance from the Caretaker. **A FEE OF \$30.00 AND A SIGNED CABANA RENTAL AGREEMENT ARE NECESSARY TO RESERVE A CABANA.** The total cost of a Cabana rental is **thirty (\$30.00) dollars** and a clean-up deposit of an additional **\$30.00** plus **\$5.00** (if electric is used). Clean-up deposit of **\$30.00** will be returned if Cabana is left broom clean, tables wiped, and all debris bagged and placed in dumpster. All parties are limited to 60 guests or less.

CANCELLATIONS MUST BE REQUESTED IN WRITING, POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN 15 DAYS PRIOR TO RESERVED DATE IN ORDER TO RECEIVE A REFUND.

SECTION 4.2: PICNIC RULES

All picnickers will keep the picnic area clean and be sure the area is clean before they leave. All campfires must be extinguished. **HOT COALS AND CHARCOAL MUST BE PLACED IN PROVIDED CONTAINERS.** Members will be responsible for their guests while on grounds. Company picnics are not allowed. Beach cabanas cannot be reserved.

SECTION 5.0: CAMPING

SECTION 5.1: CAMPING AREA

A defined area on the club grounds has been set aside exclusively for campers. All tents, camping trailers, motor homes and/or other vehicles used for camping must display a current Goose Lake Camping Decal and I.D. number on the right front side of vehicle or front of tent. **CAMPING IS NOT ALLOWED WITHIN 50 FEET OF THE CAMPGROUND CABANAS. CAMPERS OR CAMP TRAILERS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO PLUG INTO THE ELECTRIC.** Camper/tent decals are **\$30.00** each. Seasonal camping (April 1st thru November 15th, weather permitting).

SECTION 5.2: PETS

Pets are not allowed on the beach area. They shall be leashed in all other areas with a 15 feet maximum leash allowance, and prevented from disturbing other campers and picnickers. Pet owners are responsible for cleaning up pet excrement. **No** guests are allowed to bring pets. Owners of unleashed pet(s) are subject to a \$50.00 fine.

SECTION 5.3: GUEST USE

No guest trailers, vans, tents or campers will be allowed. Guest camping will be limited to use of a member's single unit facility only. Members cannot provide extra facilities for guest camping such as vans, tents, or campers.

SECTION 5.4: REGISTRATION

All members entering club grounds will complete a camping permit obtained from the Caretaker. A soft copy is retained by the Caretaker. Hard copy must be displayed near entrance to trailer or tent and returned to the Caretaker upon checking out.

SECTION 5.5: SITE MAINTENANCE

All campers, tents and equipment will be removed from the campground at the end of stay, and the campsite, including fire pit, shall be cleaned up of all litter and debris. **CAMPERS ARE TO BE MOVED TO A DIFFERENT SITE EVERY 2 WEEKS AND TENTS ARE TO BE MOVED TO A DIFFERENT SITE EVERY WEEK.** Campers not moved after a two week stay and tents after a one week stay, will be assessed a fee of \$5.00 per day for each day in excess of two weeks or tents after seven days until the unit is moved. Any camper exceeding the two week or seven day stay requirement may have their camping privileges revoked. The Campground is to be used for camping and not as a storage area for campers. Paid storage is available to park your camper while it is not being used for camping from April 1st to March 31st. Camping units, which are only used periodically, will be required to be removed from the campground. Campers are to notify the Caretaker if their camping unit will be unoccupied, the reason why, and for what length of time.

SECTION 5.6: RESTRICTIONS

No house trailers will be allowed.

SECTION 5.7: CAMP SITES

All campers will keep their campsites clean and neat while they are camping and be sure the site is clean when they leave.

SECTION 5.8: SUPERVISION

No unsupervised camping by minors under age 18. Family memberships do not permit children to camp overnight without supervision by an adult member.

SECTION 5.9: REFUSE

All campers shall use plastic garbage bags when camping and deposit them in the refuse containers before leaving. Anyone caught littering Goose Lake Association property or waters may be subject to a \$50.00 fine and/or permanent expulsion from all Association privileges or other appropriate penalties.

SECTION 5.10: NOISE

QUIET SHALL BE MAINTAINED BETWEEN 10:00 P.M. AND 7:00 A.M. IN THE CAMPGROUND.

SECTION 6.0: BOATING

SECTION 6.1: BOAT SIZE

Pontoon Boats are limited to an overall length that does not exceed 24 feet 6 inches with not more than two pontoons (tubes). All other watercrafts are limited to an overall length that does not exceed 20 feet as per original boat manufacturer specification and must measure 20 feet or less as measured by the Goose Lake Association. Measurement shall include molded platforms; excludes bolt-on platforms. The maximum overall width of any boat is to be no wider than 9 feet. The following watercrafts are prohibited:

- (a) Watercraft equipped with inboard rear V-drive engines or equipped with any wake or wake enhancing devices such as, but not limited to ballast tanks, hydro gates, etc.
- (b) Cabin cruisers or other boats with enclosed living quarters
- (c) Deck Boats
- (d) Tritoon Pontoon Boats [having three or more pontoons (tubes)]

SECTION 6.2: BOATING AND USEAGE

- (a) The marinas have been constructed for the launching of properly registered watercraft. All unattended watercraft must be taken out of the water and kept in the designated Goose Lake Association storage areas (or at owner's property). A key to the Marinas may be issued to property owners and "A" members at a cost of \$10.00 only if a boat or other properly registered watercraft decal is purchased.
- (b) Any watercraft found to be creating excessive waves will be subject to the fines and penalties as stated in Section 6.8: Boat Fines, Penalties, and Violations.
- (c) All Watercraft shall be equipped and maintained with an effective below waterline exhaust system .
- (d) Boats used on Goose, Beaver Lake, and Half Moon Lakes shall not be equipped with more than a 10 HP motor. Boats on these lakes are limited to **NO WAKE** speeds. Pontoon boats are limited to no more than 100 HP on Lincoln Lake.
- (e) Jet Skis are limited to no more than 130 HP. Operators and owners of jet skis and other like personal water craft shall obey all rules concerning "flow" of watercraft direction and shall not operate in such fashion as to endanger themselves, passengers, or other users of the lake.
PULLING OR TOWING OF WATER SKIERS OR PULL CRAFT WITH JET SKIS IS NOT PERMITTED.

SECTION 6.3: WATERCRAFT DECALS

All watercraft will have the proper Goose Lake Association identification (lake/lot) numbers and current year decals affixed to both the port (left side of watercraft) and starboard side (right side of watercraft) nearest to the rear. GLA decals and lot numbers should not be placed any farther forward than mid-point of the watercraft and well above the waterline so that they are in plain view. Watercraft having side facing

windshields on both (port & starboard) sides of the watercraft can display current GLA decal and lot number on side windshields only if this can be done without obstructing the driver's vision.

In addition, the Illinois State Registration Numbers **or Water Usage Stamp** and current year decals are required on both the port and starboard sides of the watercraft nearest the front. (**Water Usage Stamp only one stamp is issued by the state**) Goose Lake Association identification numbers and Illinois State registration numbers should be of block characters at least 3 inches in height and in contrasting color to their background. Failure to display two (2) identically numbered decals and proper lot numbers on each and all watercraft will result in a fine as stated in Section 6.8: Boat Fines, Penalties, and Violations. Expired Goose Lake Association and Illinois State decals should not be visibly displayed.

SECTION 6.4: INSURANCE

Certificate of liability insurance shall be required before boat decals will be issued. All boats must carry a minimum of **\$300,000.00** insurance liability for personal injury and property damage.

SECTION 6.5: WATERCRAFT OPERATION RULES

- (a) All Coast Guard and Department of Conservation rules are hereby adopted and to be obeyed.
- (b) No water skiing shall be permitted from the period of 1/2 hour after sunset to 1/2 hour before sunrise, or as stated in Department of Conservation Rules and Regulations (625 ILCS 45/5-14 Boat Registration & Safety Act).
- (c) No boat shall pull more than two (2) skiers or tubes at one time. The operator of any watercraft that is towing a person or persons shall display on the watercraft a bright or brilliant orange flag measuring not less than 12 inches per side. The flag shall be displayed at the highest point of the area surrounding the boat's helm as to be visible from all directions, continuously while the person or persons being towed depart the boat in preparation for towing and until reentry into the boat when the activity has ceased. Display of the flag for purposes other than the activity described in this Section is prohibited.
- (d) No boat or watercraft shall be operated on any lake after dark except with proper lighting and at a slow speed.

SECTION 6.6: NUMBER OF ALLOWED WATERCRAFT

No more than **seven (7)** watercraft units are allowed per member, of which no more than a total of four (4) watercraft units can be motorized.

SECTION 6.7: SAFETY PATROL

- (a) No person shall resist, obstruct or otherwise interfere with the actions of any member of the Goose Lake Association Safety Patrol while said individual is involved in the performance of their duties.
- (b) The operator of any watercraft on or adjacent to Goose Lake Association, upon being signaled to do so by a member of the Goose Lake Safety Patrol, an officer of the Department of Conservation, an officer of the Sheriff's Department or other person of proper authority, shall immediately bring their watercraft to a stop. Failure to do so shall result in the assessment of a fine or such other sanction as deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors.
- (c) A signal to stop a watercraft shall be deemed appropriate if it involves a horn, voice, siren ,

flashing lights, or such other signal sufficient to put a reasonable person on notice that a stop of the watercraft was requested.

SECTION 6.8: BOAT FINES, PENALTIES, AND VIOLATIONS

It shall be illegal and unlawful for anyone to operate a boat on any lake within the jurisdiction of Goose Lake Association without having first complied with current By-Laws and Rules. Said Decal shall be affixed as required before boat usage. It shall further be a violation to operate any boat in violation of any of the following boating safety regulations:

Inadequate personal flotation devices; careless and dangerous operation of watercraft; any other violation of State boating laws; littering into the lakes; excessive speed in "no wake" areas; water skiing or tubing within 1/2 hour after sunset to 1/2 hour before sunrise*; failure to have observer while skiing or tubing; failure to use running lights on watercraft.

*(625 ILCS, 45/5-14 Boat Registration & Safety Act)

Violation of the above regulations shall result in a fine of \$50.00 for the first violation and \$100.00 for a second violation and all subsequent violations, which are attributable to the owner of the boat involved in the violation. Such fine shall become an automatic lien on the real property of the boat owner.

ILLINOIS BOATING LAWS MUST BE OBEYED BY ALL MEMBERS AND THEIR GUESTS!

SECTION 7.0: BOAT & CAMPING STORAGE FACILITIES

SECTION 7.1: STORAGE AREA

The storage area at the southeast portion of Goose Lake property at the Main Building shall be used generally by all members for storing boats or camping vehicles during the period from April 1st to March 31st. Storage facilities are provided as a convenience to members. Goose Lake Association assumes no liability or responsibility for the loss or damage of any property.

SECTION 7.2: STORAGE FEES

Large Boat Storage Area - Fees of **\$90.00** per unit for property owners and **\$150.00** per unit for open members per season. Fees paid after April 1st shall bear a late charge of **\$20.00** per month. A car decal must be purchased before a key can be purchased. A charge of **\$50.00** will be levied for any lost keys.

Small Boat Storage Area - Fee of **\$50.00** per unit for property owners and open members per season. Late Payment Fee of **\$10.00** per month is due after April 1st. A car decal must be purchased before a key can be purchased. A charge of **\$50.00** will be levied for any lost keys.

SECTION 7.3: PENALTY

In the event that the required fee is not paid for any boat or camping vehicle by April 1st, such unit shall be subject to be towed at owner's expense and disposed of according to State Law. On or after April 10th of each year, boats left in the Small Boat Storage Area will have locks removed and boats will be disposed of without further notice to owners. Locks for boats are to be provided by owners.

committee. All members will follow the Shoreline process and guidelines as are in effect at the time of permit approval. Each individual project will require that a Goose Lake Association permit process be followed by the property owner prior to the start of any shoreline modification or work. A permit fee of \$0 for replacement of existing, \$25 for minor/small projects, and \$100 for major projects as determined by GLA will be charged to the property owner prior to the start of any project. Upon project approval, permits will be posted at the affected lakefront property in plain view prior to the start of any construction and will remain posted until construction is completed.

- (b) The violation of these rules or current guidelines by an Association member, open member, or guest will result in the Association's assessing a sanction or punishment against that violator. The Board may choose at its discretion, to level a fine of not less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) and a maximum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) per each violation against the member. The Association may also elect to file suit for Injunctive Relief to prohibit such use and to require that the property or lake be returned to its original condition prior to the violation occurring. In such an injunctive suit, the Association pursuant to these rules and By-Laws shall be entitled to recover from the violator the Association's costs and attorney's fees.
- (c) No fishing structures or any other materials, manmade or natural, are to be placed into any of the lakes without prior approval of the Goose Lake Association Board of Directors. The proposed design and materials for such structures must be environmentally safe for the lake.
- (d) All construction practices and locations shall comply with all state, county or municipal building codes.

SECTION 10.0: SPECIAL

THERE SHALL BE NO DEVIATION OR VARIANCE FROM THE ASSOCIATION RULES UNLESS APPROVED BY THE GOOSE LAKE ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

VIOLATIONS OF GOOSE LAKE ASSOCIATION RULES WILL RESULT IN FINES, SUSPENSION OR PERMANENT EXPULSION FROM ALL ASSOCIATION PRIVILEGES. ALL MEMBERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR GUESTS' ACTIONS.

Any member who has been issued a violation shall have the right to a "due process" hearing at the next monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Goose Lake Association. They shall be entitled to present evidence and make a statement. The decision of the Board of Directors by a majority vote shall be final.