

# LONG/RYERSON LAKE

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**NO WAKE (<5 MPH)**

**BEFORE 11am & AFTER 7:30pm**

**BOAT TRAFFIC:**

**Counter – clockwise direction**

**ALL OTHER STATE & FEDERAL LAWS ENFORCED**

To prevent collisions, every operator should practice good seamanship, keep a sharp lookout and maintain a safe speed and distance.

When operating a power-driven vessel, you must give way to any vessel not under command, such as an anchored or disabled vessel, any vessel restricted in its ability to maneuver, a sailboat under sail unless it is overtaking

Orange buoys placed throughout the lake indicate shallow areas, please remain clear of these areas when boating.

All vessels must be equipped with a personal flotation device (PFD), sometimes called a life jacket, for each person on board or being towed.

**Michigan law designates these dangerous operating practices as illegal.**

**Reckless Operation** of a vessel or reckless manipulation of water skis, a surfboard, or similar device is defined as operation which disregards the safety or rights of others or endangers the person or property of others. Some examples are: weaving your vessel through congested waterway traffic or swerving at the last possible moment in order to avoid collision, jumping the wake of another vessel unnecessarily close to the other vessel or when visibility around the other vessel is restricted, chasing, harassing, or disturbing wildlife with your vessel.

**Improper Distance** is not maintaining a proper distance while operating a vessel or towing a person. To maintain a proper distance when you are operating at greater than “slow, no wake speed,” the vessel or persons being towed must not be within 100 feet of a shoreline (if operating in water less than three feet deep) or a dock or raft.

Additional information can be found at <https://www.michigan.gov/dnr> or <https://ryersonlake.com/links/>

**We are grateful to have McGaw YMCA Camp Echo as a neighbor and steward of the lake environment.**

Please help keep their campers safe by giving them safe distance for all lake activities and contact the camp office directly if you have any concerns: 231-924-7076. Any harassment of campers will be reported promptly to the local authorities.

Mooring, anchoring, or wading is prohibited adjacent to Camp Echo property. Additionally mooring, anchoring, or wading is prohibited in the pinch-point of the lake. This creates a dangerous situation for all boaters.

# KNOW THE LAKE

~ understanding the depths and details of our lake will help everyone with safe navigation, preservation of our environment and the wildlife within it ~

