

Lake Ramsey

BOATING, FISHING, AND WATER RECREATIONS RULES AND REGULATIONS

Homeowners Association of Lake Ramsey, Inc.

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1. The Homeowners Association of Lake Ramsey, Inc. Board of Directors (HALRI) or their designee is responsible for Lake Rules and Regulations enforcement. (HALRI) does not provide safety patrols for the lake or common areas. HALRI does not warrant the safety of those using Lake Ramsey and individuals do so at their own risk. Boating, swimming, fishing, and other water activities are inherently dangerous. Individuals are responsible for their safety and the safety of others. All Lake Ramsey regulations must be observed.
2. Use of the lake is limited to Lake Ramsey property owners who are in good standing with the HALRI and who have been legally dedicated the right to the use of the lake by covenants. It will be the responsibility of each Lake Ramsey property owner to abide by and enforce the Lake Rules for their family and guests. All Lake Ramsey property owners are bounded by and charged for Lake Rule enforcement. Lake Ramsey property owners are liable and responsible for the conduct and actions of their family and guests. The Lake Ramsey property owner is responsible for any fine(s) incurred by their guest for violations of Lake or Fishing Rules. All fines levied are due within thirty (30) days of notification.
3. All Lake Ramsey property owners' boats, (Powered or non-powered) canoes, kayaks and jet skis used in Lake Ramsey shall be registered with the HALRI, maintain liability insurance and require a Lake Ramsey Sticker to be displayed or available onboard upon request while on the lake.
4. A permanent sticker can be revoked by a majority vote of the HALRI board for violations of Lake rules and the watercraft will be banned on the lake until reinstated by the HALRI board.
5. Lake Ramsey property owners in good standing with the HALRI are eligible for boat launch access. Loaning or transferring their access to anyone launching illegally is prohibited and can result in the Lake Ramsey property owner forfeiting their access for a season.
6. All watercraft on the lake is subject to the Louisiana State Laws governing watercraft on Louisiana waters and the HALRI rules. <https://www.wlf.louisiana.gov/page/boating-safety>. Obey all signs on the lake. All watercraft, including but not limited to jet skis or single use watercraft, must maintain liability insurance, provide evidence of same upon request, and CANNOT OPERATE WITHOUT INSURANCE ON THE LAKE.
7. During the period between sunset and sunrise, no skiing or personal watercraft (jet skis, wave runners, paddle boards, kayaks, canoes etc.) are allowed on the lake.
8. Between sunset and sunrise **ALL** watercraft on the lake must have lights as required by Louisiana State Regulations.
9. No person under the age of 16 shall operate a motorized watercraft unless accompanied by an adult. This includes jet skis.

10. No person shall operate a watercraft in a reckless or unsafe manner.
 - a. The practice of one Jet Ski attempting to spray another Jet Ski or Boat is considered extremely dangerous and reckless operation, and will not be tolerated due to safety reasons. This is a violation of Lake Rules.
 - b. Running behind a boat that is towing riders on a tube or Skis/Wakeboard to jump the waves is considered dangerous, and is a violation of Lake Rules.
 - c. Wake surfing is prohibited.
 - d. The cove is a no wake zone.
11. All riders on Jet Skis are required to wear Coast Guard approved life jackets.
12. No watercraft racing is allowed.
13. No person shall operate any watercraft while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
14. No person shall operate any watercraft so as to approach or pass another watercraft in such a manner or at such a rate of speed as to create a hazardous wake or wash.
15. In addition to the boat operator, a boat towing skiers, tubers, etc. must have another person (at least 10 yrs. of age) in a position to observe persons being towed, unless a rear-view mirror has been installed so the operator can also be an observer.
16. Non-motorized watercraft shall have the right of way over powered watercraft.
17. Only single engine watercraft is allowed on the lake
18. No airboats, aircraft or seaplanes are allowed on the lake at any time.
19. No watercraft with horsepower exceeding Coast Guard recommendations is allowed.
20. No watercraft with open exhausts is allowed.
21. No watercraft shall exceed 24 ft (except pontoon boats).
22. For Safety reasons, All Motorized watercraft traveling in excess of idle speed or at idle speed, shall not operate closer than 100ft from shore unless fishing or docking or visiting.
23. All watercraft should operate outside the 100-safety boundary, and for safety reasons, should only operate within the 100-foot boundary when docking or fishing, not cruising.
When watercraft is within 100 feet of shore, the watercraft shall operate at idle speed and shall move continuously past each homeowner's property. Please respect each other's privacy.

Fishermen shall remain at least 50 feet from shore while trolling and fishing.

Fisherman shall not oscillate (back and forth movement) past any lot or home while trolling and fishing; and shall not troll and fish past the same homeowner's property more than 2 (two) times during any given day.

24. No watercraft (unless disabled) shall be anchored or remain motionless within 100 ft of a homeowner's shoreline.
25. All watercraft traveling outside the 100 ft limit must operate in a counter-clockwise direction except when picking up a downed skier or tuber.
26. Homeowners with lake front property may place up to 3 buoys in the lake within the boundaries of their property. Buoys must not be placed more than 100 ft from the shoreline.
27. All swimmers must stay within 100 ft from shore unless accompanied by a watercraft within 25 ft of swimmer.
28. Placement of movable or non-movable objects in the lake is prohibited unless approved by the HALRI board. This includes underwater structure.
29. Filling in the lake beyond an owner's property line is prohibited.
30. Dumping of chemicals, fertilizers, pesticides, animal feces, etc. in the lake is prohibited unless approved by the HALRI board.
31. Throwing trash, cans, bottles, seafood shells, animal feces, etc. into the lake is prohibited.
32. Harassment of any and all wildlife is prohibited.
33. The lake level is to be controlled by the HALRI board.
34. No commercial boats are allowed on the lake at any time.
35. A temporary ban on Bow Fishing is in effect until further notice.

GUESTS

1. ALL Guest watercraft, jet skis or single use watercraft must provide proof of liability insurance AND CANNOT OPERATE WITHOUT INSURANCE ON THE LAKE.
2. Guest watercraft, jet skis or single use watercraft may be operated only when the Lake Ramsey property owner is present in the watercraft and a copy of the property owners Identification is available.
3. Guests must stop and show identification if stopped by any Lake Ramsey property owner or anyone hired or authorized by the HALRI board to police the lake.
4. The guest privilege can be revoked at any time by a HALRI board member or an authorized agent of the board for guest failing to adhere to the rules established by the HALRI. The guest watercraft then has to be immediately removed from the lake.