

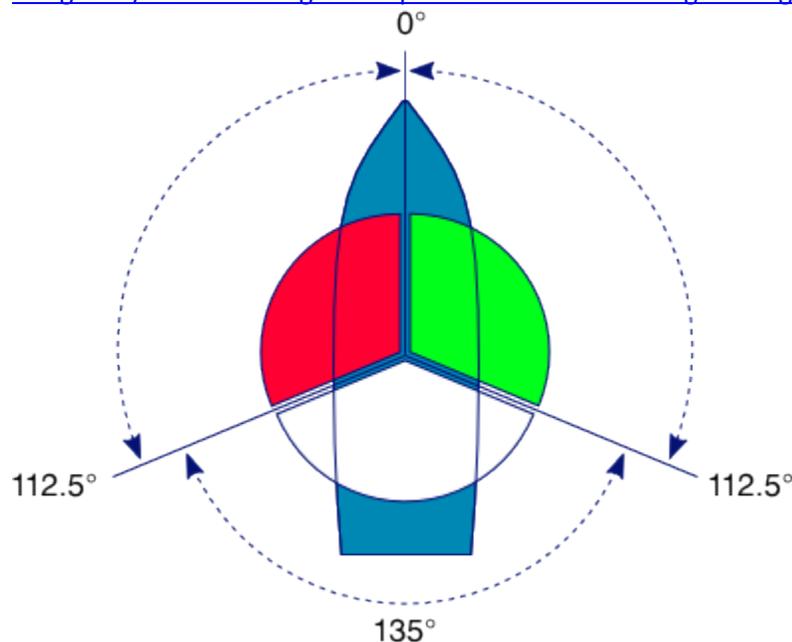
Welcome Property owners!

Our beautiful lake is available for all property owners in good standing, and their guests, to enjoy.

Please **review the information below** so that everyone can continue to be safe on the lake!

Feel free to call the office at (662) 224-6671 with any questions or concerns and don't forget to get your annual Boat Sticker from our office. Form is attached here.

- NEVER swim across the lake.
  - Boats may not see your head bobbing in the water
  - When swimming off of your dock or boat stay within 15-20 feet of the dock/boat
- ALL boats, regardless of size, **must display Lot number on the boat**
  - Proper location is BOTH sides on the boat, not at the front
- ALWAYS use proper navigational lights when operating at night
  - Red on the Port Side (Left side when on the boat facing forward)
  - Green on the Starboard Side (Right side when on the boat facing forward)
  - White on the Stern of the boat (Rear of the boat and should be high enough to be seen over motor)
  - The Lake Patrol may ask you to show the lights are operational even during the day as a safety precaution
    - You don't want to realize they do not work when out after dark.
  - For more information go to <https://www.marineinsight.com/marine-navigation/understanding-the-importance-of-marine-navigation-lighting/>



- NEVER navigate the lake with your auxiliary docking lights on ("Headlights")
  - This blinds the operator of oncoming boats
- No motors larger than 9.9 HP
  - Please do not bring a 150HP motor on the lake with the intent of 'only using the trolling motor.' Happens all the time! They are asked to leave.

- **The by-laws state the navigational distance from docks is 100 feet.** We realize that this is not possible on some portions of the lake, especially when passing another boat, docking or when fishing.
  - **Guide for safe operation :**
    - **Stay in the center channel of the lake when operating at the posted max speed of 5 MPH**
    - **99 feet to 50 feet- no more than half throttle or 2.5 MPH.**
    - **49 feet or less- IDLE SPEED or trolling motors only**
    - **SLOW down when coming around blind corners**
    - **stay on the big water side of the lake when passing buoys**
  - **If you are within 100 feet please watch for residents and guest swimming off their docks, fishing and exiting their boat slips/boat house. The operator with in the 100 ft. is liable if anyone is hit/injured while traveling within 100 feet.**
- **Be COURTEOUS -**
  - Do not pass to close to boats that are anchored
    - You could get the anchor rope caught in your prop or cut the rope
  - Slow down around smaller boats, such as canoes, kayaks, SUPs and fishing boats
- **Be SMART-**
  - Operator is responsible for safe operations and passenger wellbeing.
  - Children should wear life jackets when riding water toys
  - Stay inside the boat when moving
    - Riding on the front of the boat while hanging your feet over is not safe.
    - Falling off could be deadly
      - Boats do not have brakes
      - The prop may not stop spinning immediately when the engine is shut off- If it's shut off in time.

**BE SAFE!      BE SMART!      BE COURTEOUS!**

**And HAVE FUN!!!**

Thank you,

SLSPOC Board

For more safety tip:

See your insurance provider –OR–

Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks

<http://www.mdwfp.com/media/news/fishing-boating/10-boating-safety-tips/>