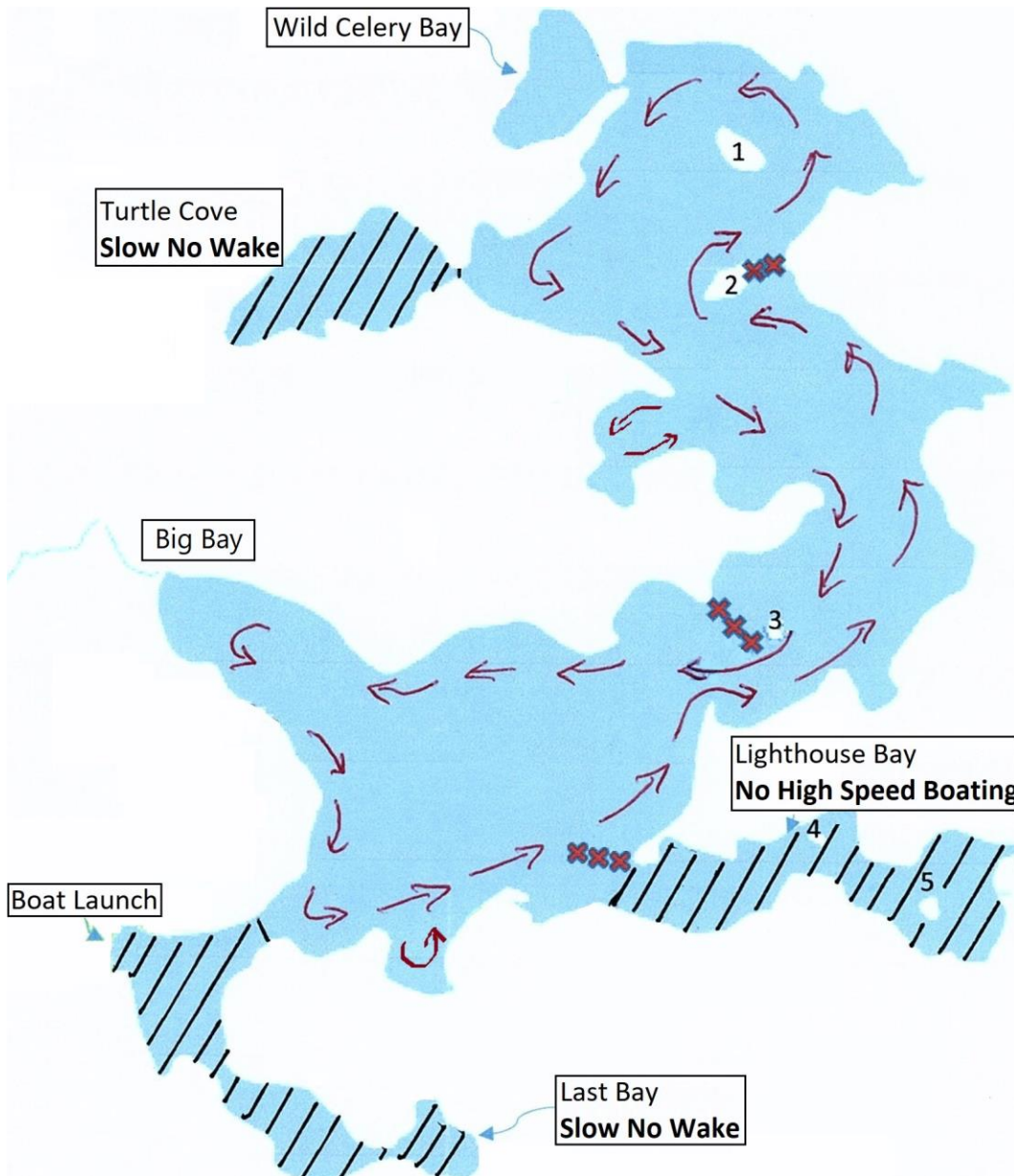


Spider Lake

Spider Lake is a 459 acre, all sport, fresh water, kettle lake formed by glaciers and fed by numerous underwater springs. Having a main body of water with several protruding branches or coves, it derives its name from an aerial view (and a bit of imagination). There are five islands - two privately and three federally owned. Only one island (Island 3/Swimmers' Island) is designated for public use, though dogs are not allowed. Water depths vary throughout Spider Lake, particularly in the coves and near the islands. Sandbars are present in multiple locations. Three of its coves are No Wake/Slow Speed areas.

High speed boating hours (11 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.) and all other boating laws are strictly enforced. The lake is patrolled by the Grand Traverse Sheriff Department – Marine Division.



KEY

- Island 1 - Private - No trespassing
- Island 2 - Private - Access and pets by permission only
- Island 3 - Federal / Swimmers' Island - No dogs allowed
- Island 4 - Federal
- Island 5 - Federal
- XXXXXX - sandbars
- //////// - Slow no wake / No high speed boating
- - Direction of boat traffic under power (per U.S. Coast Guard)

SPIDER LAKE

This is a summary of common boating rules and other regulations. All federal, state, county, and township regulations are enforced. For detailed information on safe boating go to https://www.boat-ed.com/assets/pdf/handbook/mi_handbook_entire.pdf, www.michigan.gov/dnr and/or a Coast Guard website.

BOAT & PERSONAL WATERCRAFT REGULATIONS

- **HIGH SPEED BOATING** is allowed only on the main body of Spider Lake between **11:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.**.
- **SLOW, NO WAKE or NO HIGH SPEED BOATING** is to be observed in all coves at all times. Regulatory buoys are located at the mouth of the coves.
- **DIRECTION OF TRAVEL** on the lake and its coves is COUNTER CLOCKWISE for all vessels under power.
- **IMPROPER DISTANCE VIOLATIONS** When operating a vessel at greater than slow, no wake speed, the vessel or persons being towed must NOT be within 100 feet of any shoreline, moored or anchored vessel, dock or raft, swimming area, or person in the water. Vessels must remain at least 200' away from diver-down flags.
- **SAFETY EQUIPMENT**
Personal Floatation Devices (PFD's) are required for every person aboard any vessel (motorized or paddle craft).
 - Children under age 6 must wear a PFD.
 - Adults must have a PFD readily available.**Boats 16'+** must have a throwable floatation device, fire extinguisher, and a horn or audible signaling device.
- **BOATS/PWC PULLING PEOPLE** (skiers, tubers, wake boarders, etc.) must have an observer on board at all times.
- **BOAT/PWC OPERATORS** must adhere to Michigan DNR age and "Boating Safety Certificate" requirements.
- **NIGHT LIGHTS** Vessels must exhibit navigation lights if underway between sunset and sunrise or during periods of reduced visibility. Navigation light requirements differ depending on the type and size of the vessel.

OTHER REGULATIONS



LOONS are protected by federal migratory laws and Michigan's DNR Endangered Species legislation, Act 451, Part 324:36501 and Part (f), which prohibits the "taking" ("harass, harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture...") of all listed species. Such action(s) are punishable by fines and/or imprisonment. Loons will splash and call raucously when frightened.



FISHING DNR fishing rules and regulations apply. Fishing licenses are required for adults and available online at www.michigan.gov/dnr. Fishing regulations can be found at that site, as well.



DOGS are not allowed on the federal islands and only with permission on the private islands. Grand Traverse County's leash law (Ordinance 27, Article IV, Section 401) applies throughout the area and states "No person shall ... allow a dog to run at large, stray, or otherwise be off the owner's premises unless held on leash..."



FIREWORKS Per East Bay Township's Consumer Fireworks Ordinance No. 4 of 2019, fireworks are allowed only after 11 a.m. on Dec. 31 until 1 a.m. on Jan. 1, as well as between 11 a.m. and 11:45 p.m. on the Saturday and Sunday preceding Memorial Day and Labor Day and on June 29 through July 4 (If July 5 falls on a Friday or Saturday, then also on July 5.). Fire Prevention Ordinance 308.1.6.3 prohibits the release of "untethered sky lanterns".

LOCAL & COUNTY SHERIFF For information, call **231-947-3631**. To file a complaint or dispatch an officer, call **231-922-4550**.

KEEP our LAKE NATURAL

PREVENT THE SPREAD OF AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES (AIS) – IT'S THE LAW

Michigan's Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act ([Act 451 of 1994](#)) Part 413 has been amended with changes for boaters and anglers that are in effect as of March 21, 2019. In part, the law makes it illegal to place a boat, its trailer and other equipment in the Michigan's waters with aquatic plants attached and/or water, plants, and/or AIS remaining in the equipment.

- ✓ **INSPECT and REMOVE** aquatic plants, animals and mud from your watercraft, trailer, water shoes and all equipment.
- ✓ **DRAIN** all water from equipment (watercraft, motor, transom, bilges, live wells, ballast tanks, hatches, etc.). Plug all plugs.
- ✓ **DISPOSE** of all unwanted bait and fish in the trash, NOT in the water.
- ✓ **WASH** your watercraft and equipment with hot water or a pressure washer, prior to visiting new waters.
- ✓ **DRY** (alternative to wash) your watercraft & all equipment thoroughly in the sun for 10 days, prior to visiting a new site.

HELP KEEP our LAKE CLEAN

PACK OUT ALL TRASH ~ RETRIEVE YOUR FISHING LINES, LURES, & BOBBERS