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SAFETY INFORMATION

Boating Safety
Always wear your life jacket. Minnesota state law requires all boats (including canoes and kayaks) to have an approved US Coast Guard approved personal flotation device (PFD) on board and accessible for each person in the watercraft. The Coast Guard requires all children less than 16 years of age to wear a life preserver when in a recreational boat.

Rainy Lake Ice
All passengers should stay seated within the boat while the boat is moving. Railing on the bow or gunwale is prohibited!

Know where you can't fish your way
Don't drink and drive. Contact Sheriff U.S. Coast Guard and other law enforcement agencies for more information.

Navigation charts are highly recommended.

Safe Boating Checklist
Plan on having a safe and enjoyable experience by making sure you have these items whenever boating on the lake:

- A wearable life preserver readily accessible for each person
- Type IV throwable flotation or ring
- Navigation lights at night — use them!
- Whistle or horn
- Anchor, paddles or oars, and lines
- Spare propeller and screw pin
- Flashlight and first aid kit

Drinking Water
Always treat lake water before using it for drinking or cooking. Consider bringing water with you when camping in the park. Otherwise, use a high-quality water filter to remove potential contaminants.

Blue-Green Algae: The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) advises the public to approach lake areas with blue-green algae blooms with caution. During the right conditions these blooms can be toxic to pets and harmful to people. A blue-green algae bloom looks like pea soup and should be avoided. For detailed information visit the MPCA website (www.pca.state.mn.us/water/dmp-cdnedge.html).

LEGEND & SCALE

Legend:
 Primary Highway, Select Road, Backroad, High Clearance Road, Channel Navigation Route, Biking Trail/Portage, AT-Trail, Snowshoe/Ski Trail, National Park, National Forest, Kabetogama Purchase Unit, State Prescribed Park, Wilderness Area, State Natural/Management Area, Native Area, County Land, U.S. Highway, MN State Hwy, Canadian Highway, Forestry Service Road.

Scale & Cartographic Data:
 Approximate Scale: 1:50,000
 Contour Interval: 50 feet
 1 inch = 0.8 mile
 1 centimeter = 0.5 kilometers
 Datum: NAD 1927
 Projection: UTM, Zone 15
 Central Meridian: 93° W

Trail Illustration Titles:
 Visitor Center, Ranger Station, Campground, Group Campsite, Restroom, Picnic Area, Point of Interest, Trailhead, Snowshoe trail, Snowshoe trail, Cross-Country Ski Area, Parking, Boat Launch, Paddle Access, Boat, Fuel Station, Dining, Lodging, Interpretive Trail, Accessible Access, Campsite Small, Large, Day Use Area, Houseboat Site, International Cottages, Marina, Gate, Light, Navigation Buoy, Day Marker, Private Land (access is not permitted), Snowshoe/Ski Trail, U.P.C.

Voyageurs National Park

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WINTER TRAILS

Cross-Country Ski Trails: Black Bay Trail - Located one mile north of the Rainy Lake Visitor Center on the Rainy Lake Ice Road and offers a 6-mile trail. Tilton Creek Ski Trails - The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources manages this 10-mile network of interconnected ski trails. A Great Minnesota Ski Plan is required. Several routes are possible, ranging from short loops to longer excursions. You can access this system from the Rainy Lake Visitor Center area on the park's Tilton Connector Trail. Echo Bay Trail - This 3.5 mile loop trail is located a few miles from the Kabetogama Lake Visitor Center (closed winter). Follow County Road 122 north toward the Redwing State Forest campground to access the trailhead. Kab-Ash Trail - This challenging backcountry trail system is 27.8 miles of unimproved trail and is for the experienced skier. Bring-a-map and be prepared for winter travel in a remote area if exploring the Kab-Ash trail in winter.

Snowshoe Trails: Explore the winter landscape on one of the park's four snowshoe trails. Black Bay Beaver Pond Trail - (1.2 miles round trip) Located one mile north of the Rainy Lake Visitor Center. In summer, access is via watercraft only. In winter, access is via the Rainy Lake Ice Road. Blind Ash Bay Trail - (2.5 miles round trip) The trailhead is at the Kabetogama Lake Overlook parking lot along the road to the Ash River Visitor Center. Silliman Bay Trail - (1.5 miles round trip) Follow signs to the Ash River Visitor Center. The trailhead is just past the Beaver Pond Overlook on the north side of Silliman Bay. Oberholzer Trail - (2 miles round-trip) The trailhead is just outside the Rainy Lake Visitor Center.

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