



BOAT LAUNCH INFORMATION

If you experience difficulty on the lake or witness an unsafe act, please contact the Village of Lakewood at 459-3025 or the Non-Emergency police 815-356-1114, to dispatch a Crystal Lake Park District Officer.

Malfunctions of the Boat Launch Gate: Please call 815.459.0680 during business hours.

During, Non-Business Hours call Non-Emergency Police 815.356.1114 to dispatch a Crystal Lake Park District Officer to your location.

Boat Launch - Key Fobs-Ordinances

The Key Fob is valid APR 1 - MAR 31

REGISTRATION: PARK DISTRICT RESIDENTS ONLY

- Proof of Residency and Current Illinois Watercraft Registration must be presented at the time of purchase. The automatic boat launch key fob is numbered and registered to the resident watercraft owner.
- Your key fob will be de-activated on MARCH 31 and can be renewed after APRIL 1.
- Re-activation or purchase of a new fob is required, each year. You will need to provide your valid Illinois Boat Registration(s) and valid Illinois driver's license, each year.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Simply pass the key fob in front of the key fob reader that is mounted on the post outside of the gate. The gate will automatically open. Align the laser with the bar code located on the backside.
- The gate will remain open for approximately 20-30 seconds until in-ground sensors detect that the vehicle has passed through, at which time the gate will automatically close.
- Upon leaving, your vehicle must pull up to a posted and marked point, at which time the gate will automatically open; the driver does not have to get out of the vehicle. After passing through the exit the gate will automatically close.
- You are allowed to launch only watercraft registered to you and with the Crystal Lake Park District Administrative Office.
- Watercraft launching is allowed at any time.
- The key fob is to be used only for launching watercraft.
- The key fob is NOT to be used to gain access to beaches. Misuse of the key fob will result in launch access privilege being revoked.
- Please be considerate and patient of others when using the boat ramp.
- Users of Crystal Lake are reminded to respect all shoreline property, including private beaches, piers and watercraft.
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Park District Ordinances

11.08 Boat Gate Key Fob and Launch Area Use (Fine: \$50/\$75)

- A. It shall be unlawful for anyone other than current-year fob holders to use launch areas.
- B. It shall be unlawful for any fob holder to give, loan, or in any manner furnish a FOB to any person other than the fob holder's immediate family, who reside with the fob holder.
- C. It shall be unlawful for any fob holder to allow unauthorized access to launch areas by opening the gate, or leaving the gate open for any other vehicle or person.
- D. The Park District shall have the right to revoke fob holder's privileges for any violation of this article.
- E. It shall be unlawful to use the key fob to gain entry into the park for purposes other than launching or recovery of a watercraft.
- F. Watercraft are not permitted to be tied to the launch piers except for the immediate purpose of launching or recovering the watercraft.
- G. Watercraft are not permitted to be anchored close to the launch pier so as to interfere with the normal use of the launch piers.

11.09 Special Parking Restrictions for Launch Areas (Fine \$50/\$75)

- A. It shall be unlawful for any person to load or launch any boat upon Crystal Lake from Park District property, other than at designated launch areas.
- B. It shall be unlawful to park any vehicle other than boat trailers within the West Park launch area.
- C. It shall be unlawful to park any vehicle within the Main Beach launch area except as follows:
 1. All towing vehicles and trailers shall park along the south fence in designated spaces.
 2. Only vehicles with attached trailers, or trailers themselves shall be allowed to be parked within the parking area. All other vehicles must be parked in other approved parking if not actively engaged in launching or recovering watercraft.
- D. Special parking restrictions shall not apply to emergency response vehicles or other authorized vehicles.

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