# Lake Dalrymple Responsible Boating Fact Sheet

# About Lake Dalrymple

Lake Dalrymple is a popular destination for recreational boating, but issues like overcrowding, high-speed boating near the shore, crowded public boat launches, and the transfer of invasive species can harm the environment and diminish everyone's enjoyment of the lake. With approximately 400 private docks and at least three public boat launches, adopting responsible boating practices is crucial to preserving the lake's health and ensuring a safe and enjoyable experience for all.

# Practical Tips for Responsible Boating

### Familiarize Yourself with the Lake

- · View available depth charts.
- Be aware of known hazard areas, such as the shoal off Avery Point and the rocks in the narrows south of the Kirkfield bridge.

### **Prevent Pollution**

 Refuel and change oil away from the water to avoid spills, as even small amounts can be toxic to aquatic life.

## **Control Your Speed**

- Slow down when boating close to shore.
- Avoid creating large wakes to protect other vessels, docks, and the shoreline.

### **Routine Maintenance**

- Regularly inspect your boat and trailer.
- Check the motor for oil or fuel leaks.

## **Efficient Use of Boat Launches**

- Prepare your boat and equipment ahead of time.
- Practice efficient launching and quickly move out of the way for others.

## Prevent the Spread of Invasive Species

- Inspect your boat before entering or leaving the lake.
- Drain your hull and remove any plant material from your trailer.



# **More Information**

For more information on responsible boating: https://www.boatingontario.ca/cpages/boatingontario

For more information on the Dalrymple Management Plan visit: www.kawarthaconservation.com/LakeDalrymple

