

**City of Olney**  
**Summary of Lake Rules and Regulations**  
(East Fork Lake)

- All Illinois Department of Natural Resources rules and regulations as they pertain to boating and fishing are observed.

**Boating**

- No boat or watercraft of any kind may be propelled, kept, used in or on any lake of the City until the owner or person responsible has obtained a City boat permit. The applicant must certify that a minimum of \$100,000 of liability insurance is in force for each boat or watercraft.
  - All motor powered boats must travel in a counter clockwise direction.
- No one under the age of 16 is allowed to operate a personal watercraft. Persons at least 16 years of age and less than 18 years of age may operate a personal watercraft only if they are accompanied on the personal watercraft and under the direct control of a parent or guardian or a person at least 18 years of age designated by a parent or guardian, or such personal watercraft operator is in possession of a boating safety certificate issued by the Department of Natural Resources.
  - Personal watercrafts are not allowed to tow skiers or any other type of apparatus or device.
- No skier will be left unattended after he or she has fallen. When a skier falls, the boat must stop and retrieve the fallen skier.
- No boat or other watercraft propelled by a gasoline motor will be placed or operated in that portion of East Fork Lake lying east of St. Marie Road.
  - Kite skiing is prohibited.
- The City at all times has power and authority to prohibit, restrict or otherwise limit or regulate the keeping, maintenance or operation of any and all boats and crafts on the water of the lakes should it become necessary to do so in the interest of the public health or safety, or for the protection or improvement of the lakes or other cause.

**Swimming**

- Swimming is prohibited except: 1) by property owners, families and guests from privately owned property not to exceed 150 feet from shore, and 3) swimming from boats in the no wake area immediately adjacent to and west of the St. Marie Road under specific conditions.

**Fishing**

- No fishing is allowed near the water intake which is located near Miller's Grove.

**Hunting**

- Hunting during a regular hunting season from private property. No hunting from city property.
- Waterfowl hunting - No permanent hunting blinds on the lake or on land within 50 feet of the shoreline.