

# COVID-19

## Social Distancing Guidelines\* for Copake Lake



\*Based on guidelines provided by the National Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

### NYS GUIDELINES

A good rule of thumb for Copake Lake users is to follow the guidelines New York State has established for access to DEC and State Park boat launches. These guidelines (below) are based on the recommendations of the CDC and the NYS Department of Health guidelines below for preventing the spread of colds, flu, and COVID-19.

### KEEPING YOURSELF AND OTHERS SAFE

- Try to keep at least six feet of distance between yourself and others (except for family members with whom you have been self-isolating).
- Avoid close contact, such as shaking hands
- Wash hands often or use a hand sanitizer when soap and water are not available.
- Avoid surfaces that are touched often, such as rails, posts, and tie-off cleats.
- Wear a mask or face covering in public *when appropriate social distancing cannot be maintained*. For example, if you are on your own boat, distanced from other boats, you do not need a face covering.

### STAY INFORMED

The CLCS is committed to being an information source for our community, especially in this unprecedented time. Write to [info@CopakeLakeCS.org](mailto:info@CopakeLakeCS.org) to sign up for our email list.

### SAFE SOCIAL DISTANCING AT COPAKE LAKE

**ANCHORING IN THE COVE.** Boats should be sufficiently distanced (6 ft+), and should you choose to swim, individuals should maintain a 6-foot distance from others in the water.

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**TRAVELING NARROW WALKWAYS BETWEEN BOAT SLIPS AT THE MARINAS.** We need to consider these dock lengths to be “one-way streets.” If someone else is already on the walkway and *heading toward you*, wait for them to step off before you enter the lane. If there is someone already on the walkway heading in the *same* direction you want to travel, allow 6 feet between you and the person ahead of you.

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**PULLING INTO THE GAS DOCK.** This summer Copake Lake Boat & Ski will only allow **one person in the boat** when coming to get gas and that person will be required to wear a mask or facial covering. Watercraft operators who do not adhere to these rules will be turned away.

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**AVOID LARGE COMMUNITY GATHERINGS.** This summer HOAs should assess whether they can safely meet in person, or if they should meet virtually. We advise residents to avoid large gatherings and other close contact with big groups, as being close together can allow the virus to easily infect many people.