

Latvia Owners Association (LOA)
Membership, Lake Access & Docking Agreement

This Agreement constitutes a binding acknowledgment and application for membership, lake access, docking, and/or watercraft storage with the Latvia Owners Association (LOA). By signing, the Member agrees to comply with all rules, regulations, policies, and fee requirements adopted by the LOA Board of Directors.

Member Information

Full Name	
Email Address	
Phone Number	
Property Address / Lot Owned	

Membership Fees

Annual Membership Fee: \$40 per year, per lot owned, Separate from docking fees. Membership dues are due no later than April 1 of each year. Failure to remain current may result in suspension of access privileges.

Docking Fee (motorized watercraft): \$250/year

Kayak Storage: \$50 per rack space

Other Watercraft Storage: \$100 per item/year

Dock Ownership Policy (Effective 2024)

Most docks located on LOA lakefront property are owned by the Latvia Owners Association. Privately owned docks are prohibited unless approved in writing by the LOA Board. The Board reserves full authority to assign, reassign, relocate, modify, or remove docks at its sole discretion.

Lake Access & Boat Owner Rules

- Dock spaces are limited to one (1) per household or property owner.
- All watercraft must be operational and comply with Michigan DNR and local regulations.
- Members are responsible for damage caused by their watercraft, including wake-related damage.
- All watercraft and personal property must be removed when docks are pulled for winter storage, no later than the last weekend in October.
- The LOA assumes no responsibility for theft, loss, or damage to personal property stored on LOA premises.
- Violation of these rules and regulations shall result in the cancellation/termination of further privileges.

Liability & Indemnification

Members acknowledge that use of LOA property is at their own risk. Members agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Latvia Owners Association, its Board, and volunteers from any claims, damages, or losses arising from Member use, guest use, or watercraft operation.

Acknowledgment & Signature

I have read and understand all LOA rules and agree to comply. (All pages)

Boat Size (ft):	
Boat Type:	
Kayak Rack Spaces Needed:	
Other Watercraft Storage Needed	
Member Signature	
Printed Name	
Date	

PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS

Checks payable to: Latvia Owners Association

Mail to 10833 Vidzeme Rd Three Rivers, MI 49093

Lake Access and Boat Owner Rules and Regulations

The Latvian Owner's Association (LOA) has the authority in all matters pertaining to the administration and management of the private lake access and pavilion meeting & event center. Only members or welcome guests of the LOA (those who have paid all dues up-to-date and are in good standing) have access to these private areas. These rules and regulations have been adopted by the LOA Board of Directors, and may be amended, without prior notice.

- Membership applications, together with all appropriate fees are due by April 1st of each year. Returning members may pay their membership fee at the Annual Meeting.
- The LOA board shall have the right and discretion to reassign a boat owner to a different space if/when necessary.
- Watercraft must be operational. The Board may request to observe the operation of any watercraft to verify that it is operational.
- Access to this property is restricted to LOA members and their guests. Guests MUST be accompanied by the homeowner while using the lake property.
- Any boat docked without a complete application submitted and payment of fees is subject to removal at the owner's expense.
- Dock spaces are limited to ONE (1) space per household/property owner.
- The docks located on LOA lakefront property are owned by the Latvia Owners Association, or are permitted with Board approval. Privately owned docks are prohibited unless approved in writing by the LOA Board. The Board reserves full authority to assign, reassign, relocate, modify, or remove docks at its sole discretion.
- The watercraft owner is responsible for their craft's wake, including but not limited to, all damages that it may cause.
- Watercraft owners are responsible for complying with all regulations on Long Lake as set forth by the DNR.
<https://www.michigan.gov/dnr/managing-resources/laws/controls/localcontrols/stjoseph/watercraft>
- **LONG AND PLEASANT LAKES - R281.775.1 - Hours for water skiing.**
- *On the waters of Long Lake and Pleasant Lake, Fabius Township, St. Joseph County, it is unlawful, between the hours of 6:30 p.m. and 10:00 a.m. of the following day, for the operator of a vessel to have in tow, or otherwise assist in the propulsion of, a person on water skis, a water sled, kite, surfboard, or other similar contrivance.*
History: Eff. June 9, 1979
- The LOA board may revoke docking and lakefront privileges for careless operation of a boat or watercraft or for improper use of any LOA properties.
- All watercraft, kayaks and other property must be removed from the lake property when the docks are pulled for winter storage- ALL watercrafts & personal items must be removed no later than last weekend in October. Any property left later may be removed by the LOA board and disposed of as needed.
- All watercraft must be removed within SEVENTY-TWO (72) hours when requested or for emergency reasons.
- Members understand and agree that it shall be their own obligation to insure personal property. The LOA Board shall not be responsible for theft, damage, or loss of any personal property.
- LOA members shall not use or permit the property to be used for any disorderly or unlawful purposes.
- Members shall refrain from using offensive language, playing loud/offensive music, or otherwise interfering with the peaceful use and enjoyment of the property, by other members and their guests.
- Only compact vehicles are to be driven on the path to the lake and parked on the property. **No cars, trucks, SUVs, vans, or crossovers should be driven onto the property, unless they must be present for routine maintenance or with LOA Board approval.**
- Food scraps and related trash MUST be taken and disposed of, when leaving the property. Trash receptacles will not be made available for use.
- Members using LOA properties will be asked to aid in the routine maintenance of properties throughout the season. This will include mowing, weed wacking, etc.
- Dock teams are jointly responsible for coordinating installation and removal of their dock sections each season. Installation in designated area laid out by LOA Board is to occur after May 1st.

I agree that I have read and understand the rules and regulations, as set forth above. I further acknowledge that the violation of these rules and regulations shall result in the cancellation/termination of further privileges.

Signature:

Date:

