

## Pokegama Lake

The Pokegama Dam is located on the Mississippi River, 3 miles upstream of Grand Rapids, Minnesota. Construction began at this dam site in 1882, and the dam was put into operation in 1885. The Army Corps of Engineers completed reconstruction of the dam from timber to concrete in 1904. It was last remodeled in 2010.

Pokegama Lake is a highly utilized lake for recreational purposes, such as fishing, boating, water skiing and personal water craft. The fish population includes walleye, northern pike, smallmouth bass, largemouth bass, panfish and the occasional lake trout.



## Emergency - Call 911

## Thank You for visiting!

*Pokegama Recreation Area is operated by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Our trained staff is here to assist you and we welcome your comments and suggestions.*



**Recreation.gov**  
EXPLORE YOUR AMERICA

To make reservations for campsites or day-use shelters go to [Recreation.gov](http://Recreation.gov) or Toll Free 877-444-6777

*For more information contact:*  
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Grand Rapids, MN 55744-9663  
(218) 326-6128  
[www.mvp.usace.army.mil](http://www.mvp.usace.army.mil)  
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Grand Rapids, Minnesota



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**Visitor Information**

- FIREWOOD ALERT! Only firewood certified or approved by a state or federal natural resource agency is permitted. Certified firewood is available for purchase in the campground. Any unauthorized firewood in the campground may be removed and destroyed by Corps of Engineers staff.
- Please do not cut, mark or peel any trees.
- Drive with care and obey all posted traffic regulations. Vehicles/trailers must be kept on gravel or paved surfaces.
- Off-road and All Terrain Vehicles, or ATVs, are not allowed.
- Please observe the rules concerning safe boating operations. Boats may be beached at designated areas.
- Pets are welcome but please keep them leashed (no longer than 6 feet) and attended. Owners are responsible for cleanup of all excrement.
- The use or display of firearms, air rifles, bow and arrows, slingshots and fireworks is not permitted.
- Please report any disturbances, vandalism or loss of property to the park ranger, manager or campground host.
- Please use our recycling area whenever possible.



**Camping at Pokegama Lake**

Festivals and events held throughout the summer in nearby Grand Rapids, Minnesota, make Pokegama’s campsites very convenient for area visitors and travelers on U.S. Highway 2. The recreation area offers camping, boating, picnicking, fishing and playground areas. There are 19 campsites and two tent sites. The campsites and tent sites adjacent to the Mississippi River give campers a spectacular view. The picnic area is located near the parking area and close enough to the river for breezy winds on a hot day.



**Campground Rules**

- You may make reservations up to six months (rolling window) in advance by calling 1-877-444-6777 (TDD: 1-877-833-6777) or visit [www.recreation.gov](http://www.recreation.gov).
- Vacant, reservable campsites may be available for up to two days without a reservation.
- Pay camping fees at the office or use the drop box immediately after occupying a site.
- Campers must vacate the site by noon on the last day of their visit.
- Quiet hours are 10 p.m. to 7 a.m. Please respect the privileges and privacy of others.
- Vehicles and other equipment must be accommodated on the improved surface.
- Only one wheeled-camping unit is permitted per site.
- Placing equipment on a campsite with the intent of saving the site for future use is prohibited.
- Dispose of refuse and gray water in designated areas.



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