

Torch Lake Township

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Dear Torch Lake Township Property Owner,

We are revising and updating the township boat launch permits. If you are using the township boat launches to put your watercraft into and out of Torch Lake, you will need a new permit. The township launch permit on your trailers are now expired. There is NO charge for township property owners currently using the launches if,

- 1) they have a registered permit for launching their personally owned watercraft and
- 2) that watercraft and trailer are within the size limits specified in the Day Park and 407 Boat Launch Ordinances.*

The newly issued permit will expire in the year 2025. Applications for the new permits are available at the township office during regular work hours or can be downloaded from the township website listed above, under *'Forms and Applications'*. A completed Launch Application then can be mailed, emailed or faxed as indicated on that form.

The form allows you to register more than one watercraft trailer, if you have more than one. Note, permits are not transferable. In addition, trailer licenses are registered to the township property owner. We use that State of Michigan vehicle/trailer and watercraft registration system to validate ownership. Because township boat launches are very expensive to maintain and manage, this excludes family members and friends who do not pay taxes in the township and is meant for property owners only. Your help and cooperation are welcomed. The Township depends on your thoughts and/or ideas for keeping our boat launching sites usable and safe.

Thank you,

Alan A Martel, Township Supervisor

*Township property owners who have boats and trailers larger than the size limits established in the Day Park Ordinance and can launch their watercraft safely, are required to pay seasonally for a permit to use the township boat launches. This permit is \$100.00 per year and may be obtained at the township Community Services Building during regular business hours. The Day Park and the 407 Boat Launch Ordinances are on the township website.