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Effective March 25, 2026

One (1) individual fenced-in storage space will be allocated through a lottery process and will result in a one-year term. The space is for a boat or a jet ski trailer.

At the expiration of the term, the storage space will be re-awarded through a lottery process for a four-year term.

Qualifications for the lottery:

- An individual may purchase one (1) but no more than ten (10) lottery ticket(s) for each space. Each ticket must identify the name of the boat owner or personal watercraft owner on the current title or current registration card.
- A copy of the current year's boater registration identification card or personal watercraft identification card is required at the time of purchasing the lottery ticket(s).
- Lottery participants can include any individual who does not currently possess a fenced-in storage space.
- The lottery winners must comply with the below General Conditions.

The Lottery Selection Process

- Winning lottery ticket and lottery tickets for alternates will be drawn at 11:00 a.m. (CST), Wednesday, April 22, 2026, at the Winnetka Park District Administrative Office (540 Hibbard Road, Winnetka, Illinois). Those interested can attend the drawing in person or watch the drawing via Zoom.
- All tickets purchased for the lottery will be placed in a large, locked box with a small slot from which the winning lottery ticket and alternate tickets will be drawn.
- The Winnetka Park District representative will first draw a lottery ticket for the winner of one (1) available boat or jet ski space.
- The Winnetka Park District representative will then draw a lottery ticket for the first alternate for the boat or jet ski storage space. Then, one more ticket will be drawn for the second alternate boat or jet ski storage space. Then, one more ticket will be drawn for the third alternate boat or jet ski storage space.
- After winning one (1) storage space, if the same individual is selected as an alternate, the Winnetka Park District representative will reselect a lottery ticket until a different individual is selected.

Purchase of Lottery Tickets

- Lottery tickets will be available for purchase at a cost of \$25 per ticket for Winnetka Park District residents and \$100 per ticket for non-residents. An individual can purchase a maximum of ten (10) lottery tickets.
- Payment for the lottery tickets is by cash, check, or credit card to the Winnetka Parks Foundation.
- Payment will be made at the WPD administrative office, located at 540 Hibbard Road, Winnetka, Illinois or [ONLINE](#) through the Winnetka Park District website.
- Lottery tickets go on sale at 12:00 noon (CST), Wednesday, March 25, 2026.
- Lottery ticket sales will conclude at 5:00 p.m. (CST), Tuesday, April 21, 2026.
- Winnetka Park District residents and non-residents can participate in the lottery.
- Each individual may purchase a maximum of ten (10) lottery tickets and, again, must be the

person identified as the boat owner or personal watercraft owner as listed on the title or registration.

- Lottery ticket payments are not refundable.
- Each individual purchasing a lottery ticket will receive a packet detailing all rules and guidelines regarding fenced-in storage. The Lottery Process + Guidelines governs the lottery process, includes rules and guidelines for the lottery process, and the general conditions regarding the selected lottery ticket individual, use of the storage space, service, improvement fee, and payment obligations. The individual will need to sign that she/he/they received and understands all regulations when purchasing a lottery ticket.
- Tickets will be drawn at the Winnetka Park District Administrative Office (540 Hibbard Road, Winnetka, Illinois) at 11:00 a.m. (CST), Wednesday, April 22, 2026. The drawing also can be watched via Zoom.

General Conditions

The successful lottery winner shall sign and deliver to the Park District for execution by the Park District, the Agreement for Use of Storage Space (the “Agreement”), within ten (10) business days (May 6th, 2026) after the individual has been notified of the award of the space. The following conditions are incorporated into and shall become part of the Agreement:

General Use Requirements

- The successful lottery winner must comply with the following:
 - The boat or personal watercraft must be in good working order and with no fluids leaking.
 - Trailers must be equipped to fit a 2” (two inch) ball for the WPD staff to tow the boat or personal watercraft.
 - The boat or personal watercraft must be covered when being stored/sitting idle in the fenced-in area.
 - **The overall length of the boat and its trailer must not exceed 27 feet.** This measurement is from the tongue of the trailer to the end of the propeller.
 - **The width of the boat and its trailer must not exceed ten (10) feet.**
 - ***If either the length or the width of the boat and its trailer is greater than the stated measurement at any time during a multi-year term, a boat owner will forfeit the boat owner’s fenced-in storage space and service, and the WPD will not refund to the owner any of her/his/their bid amount or any fees due and owing through the date of forfeiture.***
 - The boat or jet ski storage space is only for one (1) motorized boat or (2) personal watercraft on a single trailer, (within the measurements set above).
- The presence of, and/or storage of, items other than a motorized boat or personal watercraft must be approved by a Winnetka Park District representative.
- A boat owner may store equipment inside the boat as long as the cover properly fits the boat.
- The boat owner or personal watercraft owner is fully responsible for all damages within, and to, the fenced-in area, to include damage to the boat owner’s boat or the owner’s personal watercraft and trailer, as well as damage to other boats, personal watercraft, and trailers.
- Lottery participants must review and comply with all Stepan Family Boat Launch and Fenced-In Rules and Regulations.
- Storage spaces are not transferable.

Annual Fees

- Once an individual is selected, she/he/they has/have ten (10) business days (May 6, 2026) to submit payment for the Boat Storage License (“BSL”) and the first year of the storage service fee (which includes a 10% boat launch improvement fee).
- The Winnetka Park District Resident BSL fee for the one-year term is \$1,000.
- The Winnetka Park District Non-Resident BSL fee for a one-year term is \$2,000.
- Lottery ticket costs will be deducted from the BSL fee payment.
- The annual Winnetka Park District Resident storage service fee for the 2026-2027 term is \$4,840 (10% of the fee will be directed towards boat launch improvements). The annual Winnetka Park District Non-Resident storage service fee for the 2026-2027 term is \$6,600. The annual storage service fee is subject to change each year.
- If payment is not received by May 1, 2026, the individual will forfeit her/his/their space and the Winnetka Park District will offer the storage space to the next alternate listed.
- BSL fee and storage service fee are to be paid to the Winnetka Park District by May 1.
- If all of an individual’s associated fees are not received by May 1 of a given year, the individual’s storage space will be immediately forfeited. The Winnetka Park District will then conduct a lottery for the remainder of said spot.
- If an individual does not want to continue her/his/their right to use the space and service, the individual may discontinue this right by sending written notice to the Winnetka Park District.
 - The individual will comply with WPD’s requirements for removal of all property from the space;
 - The individual will not be responsible for payment of the remaining storage service fees or boat launch improvement fees;
 - The remaining time on the storage space will be available to the alternates as selected during the initial lottery process;
 - No refunds will be granted for lottery ticket purchases.
- Specific to this process, the re-awarded term is for the time period remaining for the term initially awarded. All appropriate fees are required of the alternate.



Acknowledgement & Signature

The undersigned individual agrees if the Winnetka Park District selects her's/his's/their's lottery ticket, she/he/they will commit to the overall term length in accordance with the awarded term length, will abide by all Fenced-In Storage and Stepan Family Boat Launch Rules and Regulations, and will comply with all other terms and conditions of the Agreement.

DATED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 202__.

Print Full Name

Full Name (Signature)

Illinois Boat/Personal Watercraft Registration Number

Street Address

City / State / Zip

Preferred telephone number

Email