

Before You Arrive

- **Quarantine** - for at least a week before arrival. Our community is small yet receives thousands of visitors each week. The best way to not spread the virus is to ensure that you are not bringing it with you in your travels. A Covid-19 outbreak could easily overwhelm our rural health system.
- **Bring a Mask** – you will be talking to our staff and captains on-board and below deck. Although we are taking many steps to limit our time below deck with you, a mask will be required when you are below deck with our staff and captains. Please have a mask ready for this.
- **Online Questionnaire** - as per the Michigan Executive Order, please fill out this quick and easy online questionnaire **within 24 hours of arriving** to our charter base: <https://www.greatlakessailingco.com/covid-19-screening-quiz/>
- **Digital Chart & Systems Briefings** – for charters, this will be sent to you before you arrive. It's vital that you read this thoroughly before arriving otherwise your departure from our docks could be delayed.
- **Packing & Provisioning** – see below.

When You Arrive

The address is: 12935 West Bay Shore Drive, Traverse City, Michigan 49684

During Business Hours:

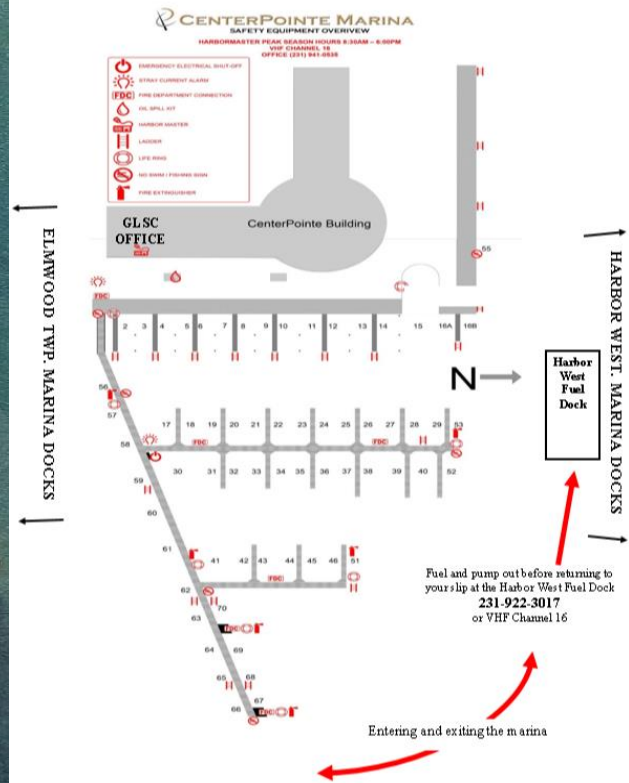
1. Call the office when you arrive 231-941-0535.
2. Unload in the loading/unloading zone – see map
3. Take your gear to the big white tent by the loading zone
4. Wash your hands in the sink under the white tent. Do not go into the building or aboard the boat without washing your hands first.
5. If you have to use the bathroom inside the building, please wash your hands before entering the building otherwise we prefer that you wait to use the bathroom on board the boat.
6. We will meet you under the tent to take care of any paperwork and then show you to your boat.

Outside of Business Hours:

1. Unload in the loading/unloading zone – see map
2. Wash your hands in the sink under the white tent. Do not go into the building or aboard the boat without washing your hands first.
3. If you have to use the bathroom inside the building, please wash your hands before entering the building otherwise we prefer that you wait to use the bathroom on board the boat.
4. You should already have instructions as to where your boat is located. Look for the greeting board hanging from the lifelines with your name and the name of the boat on it.
 - The boat will be unlocked, with an interior light on.
 - A laminated card will be in plain view with instructions for the marina bathhouse, wi-fi and suggestions for restaurants, grocery, pharmacy, ice machines and more.
 - The boat will be set up so you will have a trouble-free evening. The staff arrives at 9am if you have any questions.
 - The after-hours phone number is on board if you have any questions or issues during your first evening.
 - **PLEASE USE CAUTION WHEN BOARDING OR DEBOARDING AFTER DARK** – The docks are lighted but bringing a flashlight is a good idea.

Parking:

Move all cars to our lot across the street after unloading your gear. Do not park in the parking garage or on the parking deck. The parking deck is reserved for tenants of the building only. **YOUR CAR WILL BE TOWED IF LEFT IN THESE SPACES.**



Once Aboard

Digital Chart Briefing:

You should have received your digital Chart Briefing and digital Boat Systems & Safety Briefing Outlines. To minimize your time with our staff especially below deck, it's vital that you have **read these outlines before you've arrived.** Once aboard you will be on your own for at least 45 minutes to familiarize yourself with the location of the safety gear and the boat systems. When your briefing captain arrives they will ask you a few questions to see if you've read through the material provided. If you can't answer these basic questions indicating that you have read through the material, the briefing captain will give you more time on your own to do this. The system is designed so that the charterer can learn 90% of the boat's systems in a fast, efficient manner on their own which greatly reduces time below deck with a briefing captain.

Bathroom Facilities:

To minimize exposure, we are requesting that you avoid using the facilities within Centerpoint. Every boat is equipped with showers. Please refer to the yellow operations manual on the nav station for instructions for using showers and toilets.

DO NOT bring any toilet paper from home, we will provide it. Using paper for a domestic toilet will clog and plug a marine sanitation device (toilet).

Packing Tips & Gear Suggestions:

Since you will be “cruising” away from our facility during your charter, you may want to pack lighter and smarter as you prepare at home for your trip. Remember a sailboat has limited storage space onboard and other sail mates will need space as well. Over packing is the most frequent oversight made. Layering-up is the best strategy for packing clothes. Thin, light layers are good as cool mornings can turn to hot humid afternoons. Cruising in our waters is a casual affair and unless you have a special stop planned at a very exclusive restaurant, the formal wear is best left at home. The following list will help you plan accordingly.

- T-shirts, Shorts, Swimsuit, Beach towel, Sunscreen
- Long sleeve shirt & pants for cool evenings and sun protection
- Light sweater, sweatshirt or jacket
- Sun hat, wool hat, gloves
- Boat Shoes or sneakers (no black soled shoes)
- Casual clothes for dining ashore
- Foul weather gear
- Sleeping Bag & pillow or bring your own linens
- Toiletry items
- Mask & gloves
- Dishes & Flatware – the boats are not stocked with forks, spoons, knives, plates, bowls, cups or glasses

If you need assistance with anything along the way or once on board, please call [231.941.0535](tel:231.941.0535) during office hours, or [231.620.8068](tel:231.620.8068) after office hours.