

Fishing on Lake Erie by Boat

Captain your own boat

Being the captain of your own boat allows you and your family to fish whenever you want. Erie has many places from which you can launch your boat. Everyone on your boat should know where all safety equipment is located and how to use it. Storms with big waves can well up

very quickly on Lake Erie. Some

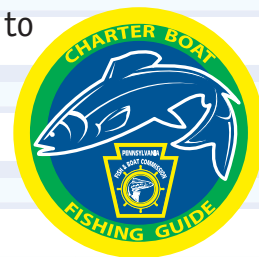


boat operators are required to pass a special safety course and carry a certificate. Check the Fish & Boat Commission's web site, www.fish.state.pa.us, to learn more about boat access areas and how and where to take a boating safety course.



Hire a captain

Don't have a boat? You can hire a charter boat captain to take you fishing for a fee in the Erie area. Charter boat captains operate boats designed to carry six to 40 people. Many captains run two trips per day—one in the morning and one in the afternoon. On some boats you can rent fishing



gear, buy refreshments and ice, and pay to have someone clean your fish. The cost per person depends on the size of the boat and the length of the trip. Fishing licenses are required for any person age 16 and over. On the Fish & Boat Commission's web site, www.fish.state.pa.us, view more information on Pennsylvania charter boat/fishing guides.

