

# The KaBeeLo Lodge Line

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## DEPOSIT POLICY

Deposits will be increased to \$175/person for those reserving a fishing trip after January 1, 2003. The reason – deposits must meet certain criteria in order for us to “rebate” your GST at the Lodge. Also, remember that deposits confirm the fact that you have a fishing trip reserved with us at KaBeeLo Lodge. Deposits ARE REQUIRED unless prior arrangements have been made.

Upon receipt of deposits, a confirmation letter is sent to you which lists amount of deposits, assigned lake, number of people in your party, type of fishing package and the dates of the trip. Also, we send a confirmation slip which we suggest you bring to the lodge. If you make changes to your reservations, we will send revised letters and confirmation slips. If you think there may be an error, please call or e-mail us immediately so we can get it corrected.

## ROUGHING IT ~ NO MORE!

All of our outpost cabins now have running water to the kitchen sinks. Nine of our outpost cabins (Allison, Bear Paw, Bertha, Dead Dog, Jeanette, Perrigo, Seagraves, Wakeman and Okanse) have hot & cold running water with showers. If you are one of individuals that likes the shower or just wants to fish one of those lakes, we suggest you reserve early since it appears these shower amenities have become very popular

## NEW CABIN ON OKANSE LAKE

Construction of a new cabin (24' X 36') began on Okanse Lake last fall. Weather permitting, this cabin should be finished by the opening of the 2003 season. The cabin features 2 separate bedrooms, a large kitchen, dining/living area & an inside shower with hot & cold running water. This cabin has a solar lighting system. It also features an 8 X 16 deck overlooking the lake.

## CONSERVATION PROGRAM

For the 2003 fishing season KaBeeLo Lodge will implement a “NO TROPHY” policy. This means that ALL walleye over 18” and ALL northern pike over 27” must be released. We “tested” this policy during the 2002 season and discovered that all of our guests welcomed this conservation policy.

Should you catch a trophy and wish to have a REPLICA made it can be arranged during your stay at the lodge. The critical measurements include the length, girth and weight. Good photos are also helpful insuring that your replica reflects the correct color and markings. Pricing for a replica and “skin mount” are the same. In future seasons, we are considering a policy of full conservation with respect to fish limits. We would be most happy to hear your comments on this idea.

## BORDER CROSSING – CUSTOM ISSUES

If you have any questions regarding alcohol, tobacco products or security issues crossing the border, contact the Canada Immigration Centre at:

Fort Frances: 807-274-3818

Thunder Bay: 807-624-2158

## LOGGING CONCERNS

Logging is a fact of life in NW Ontario. Over the next several years you will notice increasing activity. You should know that these activities will NOT impact our lakes or the quality/quantity of fishing on them. Of particular concern is your safety while driving on the roads to KaBeeLo Lodge. When you “hit the gravel road” stay alert – there may be traffic or a moose around the next curve or over the next hill. If you have any encounters with a logging truck try and get the time and location and we will report them to the local timber company. So, take it easy and arrive safely.

## Hey Golfers!

The “Golf and Country Club” located in Ear Falls has announced their most recent renovations and new equipment (golf carts) for the 2003 season.

If you would like to get in a round before or after your fishing trip to KaBeeLo Lodge then please call them at (807) 222-3624 or fax at (807) 222-2384.

**PLEASE TAKE NOTE: The “Season Dates” listed in the brochure (see inside panel) are for the 2003 season – not for 2002. Sorry for the mistake.**

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## Some Helpful Hints! (Another Update)

**Bait:** NO LIVE minnows or leeches can be brought across the border into Ontario. If you would like to use live bait call us and we can make sure to have it on-hand. We have a regular supply of minnows but leeches require advanced warning. Plan your "bait needs" ahead of time.

**Biggest Fish:** The Biggest Northern (caught & released) in 2002 measured 50 inches and was caught on Wakeman Lake by Mike Zigler. The Biggest Walleye (caught & released) measured 31 1/2 inches and was caught on Ruddy Lake by Beau Hartwell. Congratulations to both of you!

**Brochure Cover:** Every season we have a new photo on the cover of the brochure. The "winner" of the cover photo receives a free trip (#1 Fly-Out Special) during that season. Photos must be received at our Winter Address before the end of October. The "cover boy" this year is Bret from Michigan.

**Cabin cleaning:** Please help us keep the outpost cabins neat and clean. Please do your part by cleaning up before you depart.

**Drinking Water:** Water in all of the lakes is potable (i.e., you can drink it). It does not have to be treated, however, you might want to consider these few suggestions: 1) bring bottled water; 2) boil the water; or, 3) put a few drops of bleach in a pail of water and let sit for 20 minutes.

**Early arrival:** This package includes lodging, supper and breakfast - pricing cannot be matched in town anywhere!

**Emergencies:** Medical facilities are approximately 1.5 hours from the lodge by road and 30 minutes by air.

**Equipment:** Remember that YOU can help us keep our equipment in working order by letting us know when something does NOT work. Please let us know when you have equipment problems.

**Fish Remains:** Leave them on the shoreline somewhere on the lake away from the cabin. Mother Nature will insure that they are cleaned up in a proper fashion.

**Fly-Overs:** Fly-overs are done everyday - weather permitting. These are done to assure there are NO emergency situations. The exception is Kamungishkamo - no fly-overs!

**Lake/Outpost Descriptions:** Go to our website ([www.kabeelo.com](http://www.kabeelo.com)) for complete descriptions and

pictures OR call us & we will send you an updated description listing.

**Licences & Limits:** License prices will increase \$1.00 for the 2003 season and fish limits will remain the same as they were for the 2002 season.

**Mailing List:** In December/ January of each year we send out a mailer containing our current brochure and newsletter. If you would like a name added or deleted from this list please let us know. Also, please send us any address corrections as soon as they occur.

**Pictures:** We receive many photos each year from our guests and we love them and we THANK YOU! Please keep sending them. If you want any of them returned please let us know.

**Sport Shows:** The two shows that we do every year are Kansas City (Jan. 7 – 12, 2003) and Minneapolis (March 4 – 9, 2003). If you attend these shows, please let us know – we have discount tickets available and are most happy to send them to you.

**Taxes:** As a "rule-of-thumb" use 8.0% to compute taxes on any of the fishing packages.

**Think Metric:** Measurement in Canada are metric - gas is sold in liter(5 liters in an imperial gallon); mileage is in kilometers/hour ; and, drinks are sold in liters. The currency is Canadian dollars and there are no one or two dollar bills, just "loony" and "toony" coins.

**TIPS:** Over the past several seasons we have been asked many times about our "tip" policy at KaBeeLo Lodge. Our hope is that when asking about the policy it is in response to better than expected service from our staff and ourselves.

Even though each staff member does receive a regular salary we are convinced that superior services deserves a little extra (tip). In light of this philosophy we can offer the following guidelines: "tip" the individual; put the "tips" in the office tip box; or, leave it with Ann or Harald with instructions as to how you wish it distributed.

**Weather Forecast:** If you are concerned about the weather forecast, we suggest you look up the weather for the Ear Falls, Ontario area on the internet ([www.weatheroffice.ec.gc.ca](http://www.weatheroffice.ec.gc.ca)). We operate on a forecast basis of "what you see is what you get" since we have no internet access at the lodge.

**Weight:** 40 lb. weight restriction refers to personal gear, fishing gear and sleeping bag. In addition, we allow ONE case of beverage per person and one cooler for every TWO persons. Please remember - extra weight is a safety issue. And, YOUR SAFETY is our first priority.

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