



3 nautical miles

12 nautical miles

25 nautical miles

Beyond

Under the MARPOL agreement and U.S. federal law, it is illegal for any vessel to discharge plastics or garbage containing plastics into any waters. Additional restrictions on the disposal of non-plastic wastes are outlined above. All discharge of garbage is prohibited in the Great Lakes or their connecting tributary waters. Each knowing violation of these requirements may result in a fine of up to \$500,000 and six years imprisonment. Other state or local laws on disposal of garbage may also apply. Report illegal disposal to the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) on VHF marine radio Channel 16 or call the USCG Sector Office near you.



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