

2026

UWPD Lake Rescue and Safety Lifesaving Station Lake Mendota Rescue Service

SPRING SCHEDULE

April 1 through May 22

(Opening date will be delayed if ice conditions at boathouse or low winter lake levels prevent use of rescue boat)

OPEN: Wednesday through Sunday

CLOSED: Mondays and Tuesdays

April 1 through April 26

12:00PM to 7:30PM

April 29 through May 22

12:30PM to 8:00PM

SUMMER SCHEDULE

Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day

OPEN: Every Day

May 23 through July 26

11:00AM to 8:30PM

July 27 through August 16

10:30AM to 8:00PM

August 17 through September 7

10:00AM to 7:30PM

FALL SCHEDULE

September 8 through October 25

OPEN: Every Day up to October 4

CLOSED: Mondays and Tuesdays starting October 5

September 8 through September 20

11:30AM to 7:00PM

September 21 through October 4

11:00AM to 6:30PM

October 7 through October 18

10:30AM to 6:00PM

October 21 through October 25

10:00AM to 5:30PM

Please note: The hours of operation are designated to provide service to UW groups through approximate sunset and may change according to their schedule. Hooper Sailing Club members and Outdoor UW renters are to return 15 minutes before the Lifesaving Station closes.

EMERGENCY: 608-262-3505

Business: 608-262-5865

For Lake Mendota emergencies on days and times when the Lifesaving Station is closed, phone 911 to alert the Dane County Sheriff Department and City of Madison Fire Department emergency responders.