

BOATING ORDINANCE
Town of Scott
Burnett County, Wisconsin

000450

The Town Board of the Town of Scott do ordain as follows:

Section 1. Applicability and Enforcement

- (a) The provisions of this Ordinance shall apply to the waters of Fish Lake.
- (b) This chapter shall be enforced by the officers of the water safety patrol of the Town of Scott and Burnett County.

Section II. Intent

The intent of this ordinance is to provide safe and healthful conditions for the enjoyment of aquatic recreation consistent with public rights and interests, and the capability of the water resources.

Section III. State Boating and Safety Laws Adopted

State boating laws as found in ss.30.50 to 30.71 are adopted by reference.

Section IV No Wake Areas

No person shall operate a boat in the following area at a speed faster than "Slow - No Wake," as defined in 30.50(12), Wisconsin Statutes 1988, as "that speed at which a boat moves as slowly as possible while still maintaining steerage control." Said "No Wake areas are:

- (1) Fish Lake between the hours of 5:00 P.M. to 10 A.M.

Section V Markers and Navigational Aids

Posting Ordinance

- (a) Duty, The Town of Scott shall place and maintain suitable markers and signs in such waters as shall be appropriate to advise the public of the provisions of this chapter and post and maintain a copy of this Section at all public access points within the jurisdiction of the Township.

Section VI Penalties

Wisconsin state boating penalties as found in ss.30.80 are adopted by reference.

Section VII Severability

The provision of this ordinance shall be deemed severable and it is expressly declared that the Town Board would have passed the other provisions of this Ordinance irrespective of whether or not one or more provisions may be declared invalid. If any provision of this ordinance or the application to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance and the application of such provisions to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected.

Section VII Effective Date

This section will become effective upon passage and the day after publication.

Passed this _____ day of _____, 1996.

_____ Chairman

CONDITION REPORT

The local conditions necessitating this regulation are as follows:

User conflicts arising from increasing boating activities on the lakes listed below have caused a detriment to public health, safety and welfare. Meetings held with the property owners, lake users and other concerned citizens have resulted in slow-no-wake hours being the best solution to avoid user conflicts and protect public rights, interests, and the capability of the water resources within the Town of Scott on the following lake:

Fish Lake

If this ordinance is not adopted, the impact on public health, safety, and welfare could be great creating a condition where the prospect of boating accidents and user conflicts are great.