

## TOWN OF MANITOWISH WATERS BOATING ORDINANCE

### A SOLE ORDINANCE TO REGULATE BOATING UPON THE WATERS OF THE TOWN OF MANITOWISH WATERS AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

The Town Board of the Town of Manitowish Waters do ordain as follows:

#### Section I. Applicability and Enforcement

- (a) The provisions of this ordinance shall apply to the waters of the Town of Manitowish Waters.
- (b) This chapter shall be enforced by the Town of Manitowish Waters Water Safety Patrol and any other authorized law enforcement officer.

#### 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, Wis. Stats., are adopted by reference.

#### Section IV. Definitions

- (a) "Slow-No-Wake" means that speed at which a boat moves as slowly as possible while still maintaining steerage control.
- (b) "Water ski" means a boat towing a person using water ski(s), inflatable tube or raft, aquaplane or similar device, or any other towing of a person not in or on another boat.

#### Section V. Water Skiing

##### 1. Water skiing hours

- (a) No person shall water ski or operate any motorboat towing a person engaged in waterskiing or similar activity between the hours of 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 a.m., local time.
- (b) This subsection does not apply to ski tournaments, competitions, exhibitions trials, or practices for such events where adequate lighting is provided and such event is duly authorized by the town board of Manitowish Waters.

##### 2. Water ski pickup and drop area: REST LAKE

Rest Lake Park from 100 ft. north of the fishing pier to the north boundary of the park.

###### (a) Restrictions

- 1. A pickup and drop area is only established when the area is marked with regulatory markers.
- 2. Duly authorized ski tournaments, competitions, exhibitions, trials or practices for such events may be given exclusive use of the pickup and drop area for designated periods of times as authorized by the Town Board of Manitowish Waters.

#### Section VI. Controlled Areas

No person shall operate a boat faster than slow-no-wake in any marked slow-no-wake area or at any time in the following waters:

- (a) ISLAND LAKE - An area in the western most part of Island Lake known as Sleight's Bay. All of Sleight's Bay south of a line from the northwest tip of Bals Point northwest to the west shore.
- (b) MANITOWISH LAKE - The entire bay known as LITTLE MANITOWISH LAKE located on the south shore of MANITOWISH LAKE.
- (c) TROUT RIVER -
  - 1. From Alder Lake to Manitowish Lake.
  - 2. From Wild Rice Lake to Alder Lake.
- (d) MANITOWISH RIVER - From Stone Lake to Rest Lake.
- (e) CHANNELS -
  - 1. The channel from Little Star Lake to Manitowish Lake.
  - 2. The channel from Manitowish Lake to Spider Lake.
  - 3. The channel from Spider Lake to Stone Lake.

4. The channel from Island Lake to Spider Lake.

5. The channel from Clear Lake to Fawn Lake.

(f) REST LAKE- An area in the northeastern corner of Rest Lake commonly known as Papoose Bay.

#### Section VII. Posting Requirements

The Town of Manitowish Waters shall place and maintain a summary of this Section at all public access points within the jurisdiction of the Town of Manitowish Waters.

#### Section VIII. Penalties

Wisconsin state boating penalties as found in s. 30.80, Wis. Stats., are adopted by reference.

#### Section IX. Severability

The provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed severable and it is expressly declared that the Town of Manitowish Waters 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 X. Effective Date

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

Passed this 24th day of August, 1994.