

Town of Eagle

Water Traffic Regulations

An Ordinance for the Regulation of Boating, Snowmobiles, and Power Driven Vehicles on the Water and Ice of Eagle Spring Lake.

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

SECTION I. The statutory provisions describing and defining regulations with respect to boating in the Town of Eagle in the following enumerated sections and chapters of the Wisconsin Statutes, exclusive of any provisions therein relating to the penalties to be imposed or the punishment for violation of said statutes, are hereby adopted and by reference made a part of this ord. as if fully set forth herein, and all previous ordinances relating to boating are hereby repealed. Any act required to be performed or prohibited by any statute incorporated herein by reference is required or prohibited by this ordinance:

SECTIONS:

30.50 (Definitions)

30.51 (Operation of unnumbered motorboats prohibited; exemptions)

30.52 (Certificates of number; applications; issuance; renewals; fees)

30.53 (Identification number to be displayed on boat; certificate to be carried)

30.54 (Transfer of ownership of numbered boat) 30.55 (Notice of abandonment or destruction of boat or change of address)

30.60 (Classification of motorboats)

30.61 (Lighting equipment)

30.62 (Other equipment)

30.64 (Patrol boats exempt from certain traffic regulations)

30.65 (Traffic rules)

30.66 (Speed restrictions)

30.67 (Accidents and accident reports)

30.68 (Prohibited operation)

30.69 (Water skiing)

30.70 (Skin diving)

30.71 (Boats equipped with toilets)

30.79 (Municipal water safety patrols; state aid)

SECTION II. GENERAL RULES

1. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate any craft or motor driven vehicle in a reckless or careless manner or while intoxicated.
2. Unnecessary sounding of whistles, horns, bells or sirens, and use of loud boisterous or abusive language is prohibited.
3. Any person swimming more than 100 feet from shore must be accompanied by an escort boat.
4. Every boat used to tow a water skier on surf board or when used to tow another craft in excess of 10 MPH shall be manned by no less than two persons, one of whom shall be a competent spotter to give full attention to whatever may be in tow.
5. The time regulations on water skiing and surf boarding shall be from 8:30 a.m. until 7:30 p.m. in the evening.
6. No tow boat shall tow more than three persons at one time either on skis or surf board.
7. No motor propelled boat, shall be operated closer than 50 feet to any pier, raft, swimmer, or anchored boat except when leaving or docking,

8. There shall not be any motor propelled boat or vehicle operated in excess of 10 MPH after the hours of dark ness.

9. All engines and motors must be equipped with sufficient mufflers.

10. All piers and rafts shall be marked by red reflectors of no less than 3 inches in diameter and not more than 3 feet from the outer limits of any pier.

11. All boats must comply with the lighting ordinance of the state Statute.

12. All skiers shall be required to wear a life jacket or a ski belt when being towed behind any motor boat.

13. Interference with markers prohibited. No person shall without authority remove, damage or destroy or moor or attach any watercraft to any buoy, beacon or marker placed on the waters of Eagle Spring Lake by the authority of the State of Wisconsin, and, or, the Town of Eagle pursuant to the provisions of this ordinance

SECTION III. RISK AND LIABILITY. All traffic on the ice bound waters of the lake to which this ordinance applies, shall be at the risk of the traveler as set forth in Section 30.81 (3) of the Wisconsin Statutes and nothing in this ordinance shall be construed as rendering the enacting authority liable for any accident to those engaged in permitted traffic while this ordinance is in effect.

SECTION IV. PENALTY.

(A) Major violations. Any person who shall violate the provisions adopted by reference in Section III of this ordinance as described and defined in S. S. 30.67 (1) or (2) of the Wisconsin Statutes shall upon conviction thereof forfeit not more than \$200 nor less than \$25 together with the costs of prosecution and in default of payment of such forfeiture and costs shall be imprisoned in the County Jail until full payment thereof is made, but not to exceed 60 days.

(B) Minor Violations. Any person who shall violate any provision of this ordinance except as specified in (A) of this section shall upon conviction thereof forfeit not less than \$10 nor more than \$100 together with costs of prosecution and in default of payment thereof shall be imprisoned in the County Jail until full payment is made, but not to exceed 30 days.

SECTION V. That this ordinance shall go into effect from and after its passage and publication.

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