

ORDINANCE NO. 1-76

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO BOATING AND WATER REGULATIONS IN THE TOWN OF CONOVER, VILAS COUNTY, WISCONSIN

The electors of the Town of Conover, at the Annual Meeting, in the interest of Public Safety, Health, Peace, Serenity and Protection of Wildlife, do ordain the following:

SECTION 1 -- STATUTES ADOPTED BY REFERENCE

Section 30,50 through 30,71 of the Wisconsin Statutes are adopted by reference, and regulate the operation and control of all boats on lakes and public waters in the Town of Conover, Vilas County, Wisconsin.

SECTION 2 -- SPEED RESTRICTIONS

No person shall operate a motor driven boat on the lakes and public waters in the Town of Conover except in compliance with the Wisconsin Statutes and Administrative Code as follows::

(a) In open waters, a person shall operate a motor driven boat at a speed which is reasonable and cautious.

SECTION 3 - PROHIBITED OPERATION

(a) No person shall operate a boat while under the influence of an intoxicant or a controlled substance.

(b) No person shall operate a motor driven boat repeatedly in a circuitous course around any other boat, or around any person who is swimming, if such circuitous course is within 200 feet of such swimmer or boat.

(c) A motor driven boat shall be operated at a "slow-no-wake" speed between the hours of 6:00 P.M. and 9:00 A.M. local time.

(d) No person under the age of 10 years may operate a motor driven boat. See Wisconsin Statutes 30.68(b) and Wisconsin Boating Regulation Pamphlet for further instructions

SECTION 4 - WATER SKIING

No person shall operate a motor driven boat towing a person on water skis, aquaplane or similar device, nor shall any person engage in water skiing or aquaplaning except between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 6.00 P.M., local time.

(a) Neither towing boat nor rider shall approach another water craft closer than 200 feet, further - neither towing boat nor rider shall approach any shore or dock closer than 200 feet except starting out from and returning to a landing which must be from the lake shores only.

(b) We adopt the DNR Statute 30.635 of "no water skiing on lakes less than 50 acres."

SECTION 5 - PENALTIES

Any person found guilty of violating any provisions of this ordinance, or of the sections of the Wisconsin Statutes adopted herein by reference, shall pay a forfeiture of not more than \$50.00 for the first offense, and not exceeding \$100.00 for each subsequent offense committed within one year, and, in default of the payment of such forfeiture, such person shall be committed to the county jail of Vilas County, Wisconsin, until such forfeiture has been paid, but not exceeding thirty days.

SECTION 6 - REGULATIONS

This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect after passage and publication, and shall be enforced by any duly authorized officer of the Town of Conover, Vilas County, Wisconsin.

SECTION 7 - SEVERABILITY

The several terms and provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed severable and, if any of these provisions, or the application thereof, to any person or circumstances are held to be invalid, the remainder of the ordinance and the application of such provisions to other persons or circumstances shall remain in full force and effect.

ADOPTION

The foregoing ordinance was adopted by the electors of the Town of Conover, Vilas County, Wisconsin, at the Annual Meeting held on the 13th day of April, 1976.