

TOWN OF OSCEOLA ORDINANCE TO REGULATE WATER TRAFFIC

An Ordinance to Regulate Water Traffic and Boating and Water Sports upon the Waters of all lakes within the Town of Osceola, Fond du Lac County, Wisconsin.

The Town Board of the Town of Osceola, Fond du Lac Wisconsin, does hereby ordain the following:

SECTION 1 INTENT

The intent of this ordinance is to provide safe and healthful Conditions for the enjoyment of aquatic recreation consistent with public needs and the capability of the water resources.

SECTION 2 APPLICABILITY AND ENFORCEMENT The provisions of this ordinance shall apply to the waters of Long Lake, Kettle Moraine Lake, and Mud Lake within the jurisdiction of said Town of Osceola. The provisions of the ordinance shall be enforced by the constable of the Town of Osceola and by the officers of the Water Safety Patrol.

SECTION 3 BOATING AND WATER SAFETY LAWS ADOPTED

The statutory provisions describing and defining regulations with respect to water traffic boats, boating 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 ordinance as if fully set forth herein. Any act required to be performed or prohibited by the provisions of any statute incorporated by reference herein is required or prohibited by this ordinance.

30.50' (Definitions);

30.51 (Operation of Unnumbered Boats Prohibited); 30.52 (Certificate of Number);

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);

30.66 (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).

SECTION 4 SPEED RESTRICTIONS -

(a) General Limits - No person shall operate a boat at a speed in excess of slow no wake speed, between the hours of 6:00 P.M. and 10:00 A.M., daylight saving time, on all waters provided that this provision shall not apply to boats participating in duly authorized races over a course laid out and plainly marked and adequately patrolled. (b) Special Limits - No person shall at any time operate a boat in excess of slow no wake speed within 200 feet of any shore. (c) Maximum Speed - Maximum speed from 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. shall be 30 MPH.

SECTION 5 WATER SKIING -

(a) Hours. No person shall operate a boat for purpose of towing a water skier, aquaplane or similar device or engage in water skiing between the hours of 6:00 P.M. and 10:00 A.M. daylight saving time.

SECTION 6 MARKER AND NAVIGATION AIDS: POSTING ORDINANCE -

(a) Duty of Chief. The Chief of the Water Patrol unit is authorized and directed to place authorized markers, navigation aids and signs in such water areas as shall be appropriate to advise the public of the provisions of this ordinance and to post and maintain a copy of this ordinance at all public access points within the jurisdiction of the Town of Osceola.

SECTION 7 WISCONSIN STATUTES DEFINED - Wherever used in this ordinance the term Wisconsin Statutes" shall mean the Wisconsin Statutes of 1961 and subsequent amendments.

SECTION 8 REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES

All ordinances regulating water traffic, boats, boating or water sports upon the waters covered by this ordinance heretofore enacted by the Town Board of the Town of Osceola are hereby repealed.

SECTION 9 EFFECTIVE DATE -

CLERKS DUTY - (a) This ordinance shall take effect and be in force after its passage and publication (posting) as provided by law. (b) The Town Clerk is directed to file a copy of this ordinance with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources in Madison, Wisconsin.

Passed and adopted this 10th day of March, 1986.