

TOWN OF POUND ORDINANCE 10-90

An ordinance to regulate water traffic, boating and water sports upon all waters in the jurisdiction of the Town of Pound, Marinette County, Wisconsin, and prescribed penalties for violation thereof.

The Town Board of the Town of Pound, County of Marinette, Wisconsin, do ordain as follows:

All waters in T30N, R20E, and T30N, R21E, Town of Pound, Marinette Co.

The provisions of this ordinance shall be enforced-by all state and county officers authorized by law to enforce the same. Copies of this ordinance will be posted at all public landings.

SECTION 1. SPEED RESTRICTIONS AND REGULATIONS

(A) SPEED TO BE REASONABLE AND PRUDENT.

(1) No person shall operate a motorboat at a speed greater than is reasonable and prudent under the conditions, and having regard for the actual and potential hazards then existing. Speed of a motorboat shall be so controlled as to avoid colliding with any object lawfully in or on the water in compliance with legal requirements, and exercising due care.

(B) FIXED LIMITS.

(1) In addition to complying with Sub-section (A) (1), no person shall operate a motorboat in excess of slow-no-wake before 10:00 in the forenoon of each day, and after 5:00 in the afternoon of each day, Central Daylight Savings Time.

SECTION 2. WATER SKIING.

(A) PROHIBITING CERTAIN TIMES AND EXCEPTIONS.

(1). Except as provided in paragraph (2), no person shall operate a motorboat towing a person on water skis, aquaplaning, or similar activity at any time before 10:00 in the forenoon of each day, and after 5:00 in the afternoon of each day, Central Daylight Savings Time.

(2). Paragraph (1) does not apply to duly authorized water ski tournaments, competitions, exhibitions or trials thereof where adequate lighting is provided and where the permissions to stage such tournaments, competitions or exhibitions has been received from the Town Board of the Town of Pound, Marinette County, Wisconsin.

(3). No person shall operate a boat for the purpose of towing a person on water skis, aquaplane or similar device or permit himself to be towed for such purpose, unless such boat has a competent operator plus a competent observer. Persons acting as competent observer shall have a boating safety certificate issued under Section 30.74 (1) State of Wisconsin statutes.

SECTION 3. WATER JET SKIING, OR SIMILAR DEVICES (A) PROHIBITING USE.

(1) All use of water jet skiing or similar devices shall be prohibited, regardless of size or speed. This also prohibits their use in tournaments, competitions or exhibitions.

SECTION 4. LITTERING WATERS PROHIBITED

(A) No person shall deposit, place, or throw from any boat, raft, pier, platform, or similar structure, any cans, paper, bottles, debris, refuse, garbage, solid or liquid waste into any waters in the Town of Pound, Marinette County, Wisconsin.

SECTION 5. PROHIBITED OPERATION

(A) Except under Paragraph (B), no person may operate a motorboat within 100 feet of any dock, raft, pier, or buoy restricted area within the Town of Pound, Marinette County, Wisconsin.

(B) No boat towing persons engaged in water skiing, aquaplaning or similar activity on any water in the Town of Pound, Marinette County, Wisconsin, shall engage in such activity within 100 feet of any occupied anchored boat or marked swimming area or boat landing, except where pickup and drop area are established and marked with regulatory markers.

SECTION 6. DEFINITIONS

(A) SLOW-NO-WAKE means that speed at which a boat moves as-slowly as possible while still maintaining steerage control.

(B) MOTORBOAT means any boat equipped with propulsion machinery, whether or not the machinery is the principal source of propulsion.

(C) OPERATE or USE, when used with reference to a motorboat or vessel means to navigate or otherwise employ.

SECTION 7. PENALTIES AND DEPOSITS

(A) Anyone found guilty of violating SECTIONS 1, 2, 3 or 5 of this ordinance shall forfeit not more \$50.00, together with the costs of prosecution.

(B) Anyone found guilty of violating SECTION 4 of this ordinance shall forfeit not more than \$100.00, together with the costs of prosecution.

SECTION 8. EXCEPT AS HEREIN-ABOVE SPECIFICALLY PROVIDED, the Town of Pound, Marinette County, Wisconsin hereby adopts along with this ordinance and incorporates the same herein by reference all of the provisions of Section 30.50 through 30.80, inclusive of the revised statutes, of the State of Wisconsin.

SECTION 9. THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE PUBLISHED according to the provisions of Section 30.77 of the State of Wisconsin statutes, and will be in full force and effect on and after the 1st day of October, 1990.