

AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE WATER TRAFFIC. BOATING AND WATER SPORTS UPON THE WATERS OF FRANKLIN LAKE, WEST OF THE SAND BAR AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

The Town Board of the Town of Hiles, Wisconsin, do ordain as follows:

Section 1. Intent. The intent of this ordinance is to provide safe and fun conditions for the enjoyment of aquatic recreation consistent with public rights and interest and the capability of the water resource.

Section 2. Applicability and Enforcement. The provisions of this ordinance shall apply to the waters of Franklin Lake in the area west of the Sand Bar that runs southeasterly from the shoreline out into the lake to a marker at the end of the Sand Bar, thence due south to a marker on the south shoreline of the lake, within the jurisdiction of the Town of Hiles. The provisions of this ordinance shall be enforced by the Town of Hiles deputy, Department of Natural Resource wardens and officers of the Forest County Sheriff's Department.

Section 3. State Boating and Water -Safety Laws Adopted. The statutory provisions describing and defining regulations with respect to water traffic, boats, boating and related water activities and safety are hereby adopted and by reference made a part of this ordinance.

Section 4. Definitions in this Ordinance.

- (a) "Shore Zone" means all surface water within three hundred (300) feet of the shoreline.
- (b) "Slow-No-Wake" means the slowest possible speed so as to maintain steerage

Section 5. Boating and Water Safety.

- (a) No person may operate a motorboat between sunset and sunrise at a speed in excess of slow-no-wake with the exception of law enforcement officials while acting within the scope of their employment.

Section 6. Water Skiing.

- (a) No person may operate a motorboat towing a person on water skis, aquaplane or other device unless there is in the boat a competent person in addition to the operator in a position to observe the progress of the person or persons being towed.
- (b) Water Skiing shall be permitted between the hours of 10:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. only. All skiing activities shall be outside the "shore zone" as defined in Section 4 of this ordinance.

Section 7. Penalties.

- (a) Any person violating any provision of this ordinance shall forfeit not more than \$50.00 for the first offense and shall forfeit not more than \$100.00 upon conviction of the same offense a second or subsequent time within one year.

Section 8. Notice of this ordinance shall be given as provided by law.

This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication.