

ORDINANCE

The town board of the Town of Athelstane do ordain as follows:

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 water resources.

2. Time Restriction.

Motor boat operation, including water skiing, in excess of seven (7) miles per hour shall be permitted only between the hours of 10:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. All motor boats are restricted to the speed limit of seven (7) miles per hour between the hours of 5:00 P.M. and 10:00 A.M.

3. Tow Lines.

Any tow rope shall not exceed seventy-five (75) feet in length.

4. Traffic Lane.

All motor boats operating at speeds exceeding seven (7) miles per hour shall not be closer than two hundred (200) feet to the shore line.

5. Direction.

All motor boats shall operate in a counter clockwise direction between the hours of 10:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. and shall remain within established traffic lanes.

6. Supervision.

No motor boat shall be operated at a speed of greater than seven (7) miles per hour unless there is on board a person at least sixteen (16) years of age and, when skiers are being towed, a competent observer at least seven (7) years of age.

7. Negligent Operation.

No person shall operate or handle a motor boat in such a manner as to unreasonably annoy, unnecessarily frighten or endanger the occupants of his motor boat or other boats. No person shall operate or handle a motor boat at any time in a careless, negligent or reckless manner so as to endanger the life or property of another.

8. Definition.

For the purposes of this ordinance, "motor boat" means any boat propelled by machinery, whether or not such machinery is the principle source of propulsion.

9. Penalty.

Any person who violates this ordinance shall forfeit not more than \$50 or, in default of payment, shall be imprisoned not more than thirty (30) days. Each day of violation shall constitute a separate offense.

The foregoing ordinance was adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Athelstane on the 12th day of December 1973.