

WHEREAS, the Town of Westport did adopt on the third day of May, 1960, an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to Regulate Water Traffic, Boating and Water Sports Upon the Yahara River and Prescribing Penalties for Violation Thereof"; and

WHEREAS, said ordinance adopts the definitions set forth in Wisconsin Statutes sec. 30.50 and further provides that Section 3(c) of the Town Ordinance has a maximum speed of 5 m.p.h. and that Section 4 of the Town Ordinance has a maximum speed of 8 m.p.h. which may be inconsistent with the speed limit defined at sec. 30.50(12) of the Wisconsin Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board desires to impose a maximum speed as provided for by said Wisconsin Statutes sec. 30.50(12) at each place at Section 3(c) of the Town Ordinance instead of the "5 m.p.h." and Section 4 of the Town Ordinance instead of the "8 m.p.h." referred to in the present ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Town Board of the Town of Westport does hereby adopt the following ordinance to amend Sections 3(c), 4(a), 4(b) and 4(c) of the above-referenced Town Ordinance and does hereby ordain as follows:

Section 3(c) of said ordinance is amended to read as follows:

(c) Speed Limits in Swimming and Fishing

Zones. No person shall operate a boat at a speed in excess of that speed to which a boat moves as slowly as possible while still maintaining steerage control within any swimming or fishing zone.

Section 4 of said ordinance is amended to read as follows:

(a) Maximum Speed. No person shall operate a boat upon the waters covered by this ordinance at a speed in excess of that speed to which a boat moves as slowly as possible while still maintaining steerage control 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) Passing Canoe, Rowboat or Swimmer. No person shall operate a motorboat within 200 feet of any canoe, rowboat or swimmer at a speed in excess of that speed to which a boat moves as slowly as possible while still maintaining steerage control.

(c) Bridges and Channels. No person shall operate any boat at a speed in excess of that speed to which a boat moves as slowly as possible while still maintaining steerage control within 100 feet of any bridge or when passing through channels.

Amendment passed May 18th, 1993.