

4.05 PROHIBITED OPERATIONS

1. No person shall operate a motorboat in a contest of speed or maneuverability unless the contest or race is authorized by the town board.
 - a. On **Saturdays, Sundays, and recognized legal holidays**, boats shall be allowed **only one** towline for the purpose of pulling **no more than two persons** involved in water sports activities, nor shall **more than two persons** allow themselves to be pulled by a motorboat operator.
 - b. On **weekdays**, boats shall be allowed **no more than two towlines** for the purpose of pulling no more than a **total of four persons** involved in water sports activities, nor shall **more than four persons** allow themselves to be towed by a motorboat operator.
 - c. All downed or dropped persons and water sports equipment shall be picked up immediately.

4.06 SPEED RESTRICTIONS

1. Boat speed must be reasonable and prudent but also **must never exceed 50 miles per hour**.
2. A maximum of 15 miles per hour is established from sunset to 9:00 p.m. A slow-no-wake speed is established after 9:00 p.m. until sunrise the following day. This speed restriction applies from **April 1 thru November 1**.
3. No person may operate a motorboat **within 100 feet** of any dock, raft, pier, or buoyed restricted area at a speed in excess of slow-no-wake. Per Wisconsin state law personal watercraft must maintain slow-no-wake speed when **within 100 feet** of any other watercraft.
4. When law enforcement has it's blue lights on - Slow No Wake and move over

4.08 TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS

1. All boats, while operating on the Fox River (Fox River Impoundment), shall stay to the right side of the centerline buoy of said River while proceeding northerly or southerly on said river. Boats traveling to and from the port of call on said river shall be exempt from such travel restrictions.
2. On **Saturdays, Sundays, and all recognized legal Holidays**, all boats traveling on Tichigan Lake shall proceed in a **counter-clockwise direction**.
3. All watercraft, while towing, shall keep to the right of centerline buoys located in the river traffic areas.

4.09 LITTERING PROHIBITED

1.10 SWIMMING RESTRICTIONS

1. On Tichigan Lake no person shall swim more than **100 feet** from shore unless within **50 feet** of an anchored or an attending boat. (Including sandbars and slow-no-wake zones)
2. On the Fox River, no person shall swim in the traffic lane, defined as the regularly traveled portion of the river, unless accompanied by an attending boat. Such boat shall stay reasonably close to and guard such swimmer.

NAVIGATION LIGHTS - WISCONSIN BOATING LAWS AND RESPONSABILITIES

The required navigation lights must be displayed between sunset and sunrise and during periods of restricted visibility.

When vessel is under power

- Red and green sidelights visible from at least one mile away.
- An all-round white light and must be 3.3ft higher than the sidelights.
- No other lights (including docking lights) may be used which could be mistaken for or interfere with those required above.

When vessel is NOT under power

- Display white light visible from all directions whenever they are moored, anchored, or drifting outside a designated mooring area or more than 200 feet from shore between sunset and sunrise.

PENALTY

Any person violating any provision of this chapter or any Wisconsin Statute shall forfeit not less than \$10 nor more than \$1,000 or an amount allowable under State Statutes, plus the costs of prosecution, assessments, or other costs, subject to any specific forfeiture limitations imposed by Wisconsin Statutes.

A violator may also be required to satisfactorily complete a safety course under Sect. 30.74 (1) Wis. Statutes.

Upon failure to pay forfeiture and costs imposed by the Municipal Court, such person may be imprisoned in the County Jail for a period of up to 90 days.

REPORT BUOY DAMAGE OR DISTRUCTION

The Waterford Waterway Management District is offering a **\$250** reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of anyone deliberately damaging buoys placed on the waterway.

CALL 911 TO REPORT AN EMERGENCY

**TO REPORT A NON EMERGENCY
CALL CONTACT RACINE COUNTY DISPATCH (262) 635-7751**



BOATING ORDINANCE SUMMARY

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CHAPTER 30 OF THE WISCONSIN STATUTES IS STRICTLY ENFORCED UPON THE WATERWAY WITHIN THE TOWN OF WATERFORD.

THESE PROVISIONS SHALL APPLY TO WATERS OF LAKE TICHIGAN, THE FOX RIVER, AND THE FOX RIVER IMPOUNDMENT WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE TOWN OF WATERFORD AND SHALL BE ENFORCED BY THE TOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT.

