

BOATING ORDINANCE SUMMARY

TOWN AND VILLAGE
OF WATERFORD

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ORDINANCES, NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THIS IS ALL-
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WATERFORD WATERWAY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

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.
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 - 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.
3. No aircraft shall be permitted to land or take off except in an emergency or as authorized by the town board.

4.06 SPEED RESTRICTIONS

1. Boat speed must be reasonable and prudent but also must never exceed 50 miles per hour.
2. Slow-no-Wake speed is established from 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.

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 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 attending boat.
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.

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 (262) 534-2422