

TOWN OF EDGEWATER
ORDINANCE #1

#1-81

ORDINANCE TO REGULATE WATER TRAFFIC, BOATING AND WATER SPORTS UPON THE WATERS OF CHETAC LAKE, SAWYER COUNTY, WISCONSIN AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

The Town Board of the Town of Edgewater, County of Sawyer, Wisconsin, do hereby enact the following:

Section 1. **APPLICABILITY AND ENFORCEMENT.** The provisions of this ordinance shall apply to the waters of Chetac Lake, within the jurisdiction of the Town of Edgewater, County of Sawyer, Wisconsin, which waters are described as follows:

a) The entire portion of Chetac Lake. The provisions of this ordinance shall be enforced by the law enforcement officers of the Town of Edgewater, along with and all other State and County officers authorized by law to enforce the same.

Section 2. **SPEED RESTRICTIONS AND REGULATIONS.**

a) **SPEED TO REASONABLE & PRUDENT.** No person shall operate a motor boat at a speed greater than is reasonable and prudent under the conditions, and having regard for the actual and potential hazards then existing. Speed of a motor boat shall be so controlled as to avoid colliding with any object lawfully on the water, or with any person, boat or other conveyance in or on the water in compliance with legal requirements, and exercising due care.

Section 3. **WATER SKIING.**

Prohibiting Certain Times and Exceptions.

a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) no person shall operate a motor boat, towing a person on water skis, aquaplane or similar device, nor shall any person engage in water skiing, aquaplaning or similar activity at any time before 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 o'clock in the forenoon of each day and after 5:00 o'clock in the afternoon of each day.

b) Paragraph (a) does not apply to duly authorized water ski tournaments, competitions, exhibitions or trials therefor where adequate lighting is provided and where the permission to stage such tournaments, competitions, exhibitions has been received from the Town Board of the Town of Edgewater, County of Sawyer, Wisconsin.

c) No person shall operate a boat for the purpose of towing a person on water skis, aquaplane or similar device or permit himself to be towed for such purpose, unless there is in the boat a competent person in addition to the operator, in a position to observe the activity of the person being towed. The observer must be competent in fact and must observe the person being towed and relay signals to the operator.

Section 4. **LITTERING WATERS PROHIBITED.** No person shall deposit, place or throw from any boat, raft, pier, platform or similar structure, any cans, papers, bottles, debris, refuse, garbage, solid or liquid waste into the water of Chetac Lake.

Section 5. **Penalties.** Wis. Statutes 30.50, Sub (1), (2), (3), (4), will apply to all violations of this ordinance and violations of S.S. 30.50 to 30.80.

SECTION 6. Except as herein above specifically provided, The Town of Edgewater hereby adopts along with this ordinance and incorporates the same herein by reference all of the provisions of Section 30.50 to 30.80 inclusive of the revised statutes of the State of Wisconsin.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect on and after 3 day of November 1981.

Approved by:
Town Board of Edgewater, Sawyer County

Filed this 3rd
Day of November 1981

3rd of November 1981
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