

This ordinance supercedes ordinance 1991-1, Waterway marker ordinance, slow-no-wake zone between Chetac and Birch Lakes.

SECTION 1 - TITLE/PURPOSE

The title of this ordinance is the Waterway Marker Ordinance. The purpose is to create a no-wake-zone boating zone in the connecting waterway between Chetac and Birch Lakes.

SECTION 2 - AUTHORITY

The Town Board of Edgewater has the specific authority, powers and duties pursuant to Wis. Stats. 60.61, 6062 pursuant to the specific statutory sections to regulate and control certain uses and activities in the Town of Edgewater.

SECTION 3 - ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE

The Town Board of the Town of Edgewater has, by adoption of this ordinance, confirmed the specific statutory authority, powers and duties noted in the specific sections of this ordinance and established by these sections and this ordinance the certain areas and the regulations and controlling of certain uses and activities in the Town of Edgewater.

SECTION 4 - APPLICABILITY

- (a) The provision of the ordinance shall apply to the waterway between Lake Chetac and Birch Lake, within jurisdiction of the Town of Edgewater, County of Sawyer, Wisconsin.
- (b) The Birchwood Police Department, Sawyer County Sheriffs Department and the Department of Natural Resources are hereby designated as the law enforcement agencies responsible for the enforcement of the provisions of this ordinance.

SECTION 5 - INTENT

The intent of this ordinance is to provide safe conditions for the enjoyment of aquatic recreation consistent with public rights and interests and the capability of the water resources.

SECTION 6 - STATE BOATING AND SAFETY LAWS ADOPTED

State boating laws as found in ss. 30.50 to 30.71, Wis. Stats., are adopted by reference.

SECTION 7 - SPEED RESTRICTIONS

- (a) No person shall operate a motor boat, as defined in 30.50(6), Wis. Stats., at a speed in excess of the speed at which a boat moves as slowly as possible while still maintaining steerage control, as defined as "Slow-no-wake" in Wis. Stats. 30.50(12) in the waterway between Lake Chetac and Birch Lake.
- (b) No person may operate a motorboat at a speed in excess of the posted notice as established by regulatory markers, Wis. Stats 30.66(3).
- (c) No person may operate a motorboat within a posted or buoyed restricted area at a speed in excess of slow-no-wake speed

(d) No person may operate a personal watercraft within a posted or buoyed restricted area at a speed in excess of slow-no-wake speed.

SECTION 8 - SLOW-NO-WAKE REGULATED AREA

(a) The waterway between Lake Cheate and Birch Lake, shall be marked with floating buoys with the appropriate "slow-no wake" designation and /or posted signs indicating "slow-no-wake" shall be placed at both ends of the waterway so as to be easily identified by a passing boat.

(b) The waterway shall have an additional floating buoy(s) with the appropriate "slow-no-wake" designation shall be placed approximately midway in the waterway connecting Lake Chetac and Birch Lake.

SECTION 9 - PENALTIES

Wisconsin State Boating penalties as found in Wis. Stats. 30.80 and deposits as established in the Uniform Deposits and Bail Schedule established by the Wisconsin Judicial Conference, are hereby adopted by reference.

SECTION 10 - EFFECTIVE DATE

Following passage by the Edgewater Town Board, this ordinance shall take effect the day after the date of posting as provided by sec. 60.80, Wisconsin Stats.

Adopted this 13th day of Feb, 2007

Chairman Walter B. Day

Supervisor [Signature]

Supervisor Carson Simpson

Posted this 20th day of Feb, 2007

Attest: Town Clerk Natalie Clements