

**View The Handbook of Wisconsin Boating Laws and Responsibilities at [www.boat-ed.com](http://www.boat-ed.com)**

**Noise**

- Keep music at reasonable levels. The Chain O' Lakes is a family-friendly environment – please use appropriate language and behavior. Local ordinance prohibits profane lyrics and loud noise.

**PFD**

- It is illegal to operate any boat or paddleboard unless a personal flotation device (PFD) of the proper size is readily accessible for each person on board.
- Boats 16 feet or longer must also have a throwable PFD.
- All PFDs must be readily accessible and of proper size for intended wearer.

**Hazardous Wake/High Water**

- It is illegal to operate a vessel in a manner that creates hazardous wave or wake conditions.
- Do not intentionally create enhanced wakes that may cause property damage, erosion, displacement of the lake bottom and personal injury.
- Be responsible for your wake – Wisconsin law holds you liable for property damage.

**Negligent/Reckless Behavior**

- Boaters must stop immediately when signaled by a law officer and/or a flashing blue light.
- Motorboats and PWCs shall yield the right of way to canoes, kayaks, sailboats or any other non-motorized craft.

**It is unlawful to:**

- Operate a motorboat while a passenger is sitting on the gunwales, tops, backs or sides of the seats, or on the decking over the bow while underway.
- To operate a motorboat at a speed in excess of NO Wake from one-half hour after sunset to sunrise.
- To operate a PWC after sunset to sunrise.
- To move, tamper with, or destroy any official marker or to tie a boat to any waterway marker.
- To throw refuse, including lawn waste into the water or upon public or private property.
- To power load a boat onto a trailer.
- To operate a motorboat or use water skis, a surfboard, or other device if s/he is under the influence of an intoxicant, controlled substance or has a blood alcohol concentration of 0.08% or more.
- To chase, harass or disturb wildlife with your vessel.

**My Lakes, Your Lakes...**

Take an active role in protecting the Waupaca Chain O'Lakes.

Waupaca Chain O' Lakes Association is dedicated to preserving these unique spring-fed lakes & their surrounding environment for present and future generations of residents and visitors.

Waupaca Chain O' Lakes Protection and Rehabilitation District, known as the Lake District, is an independent governmental body that can levy taxes, accept grants and state aid, monitor water quality and treat aquatic plants, among other powers.

[www.waupacachainolakesdistrict.com](http://www.waupacachainolakesdistrict.com)

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**Welcome To The Waupaca Chain O'Lakes**

*Map of Lakes  
Boating Regulations  
Clean Boats, Clean Waters Guide*



*"In All The World  
No Lakes Like These"*

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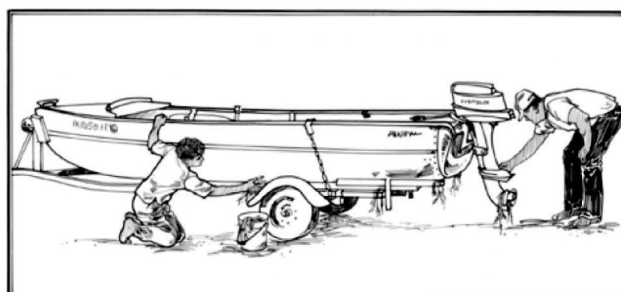
*Clean your boat and equipment to help prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species and protect these beautiful lakes!*

[www.dnr.wisconsin.gov](http://www.dnr.wisconsin.gov)

To report a sighting of an aquatic invasive species, contact your local DNR office.

To report a water violation, contact the Water Patrol / Sheriff's Dept., (715) 258-4466.

**IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, DIAL '911'**



Drawing provided by the WDNR and UW-Extension "Clean Boats, Clean Waters" program.

**BOAT-CHECK TIPS :**

- ◆ **Never transfer** water, plants, animals, or mud from one body of water to another.
- ◆ **Inspect** your boat, trailer, and equipment and remove plants, animals and mud before launching or transporting your boat.
- ◆ **Drain** water from your boat, motor, ballast tanks, bilge, live well and bait containers before leaving the water access.
- ◆ **Dispose** of unwanted bait and aquatic plants in the trash.
- ◆ **Spray/rinse** boats and equipment to remove microscopic invasives, **OR dry** boats and equipment for at least five days.



*Inspect your boat and trailer for "hitchhikers"!*