Lake Beulah Code of Conduct

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For First Aid and Emergencies

For Swimmers

1. You are legally bound to know and observe the nautical "rules of the road" - federal, state and local Ordinance No. 1.15 (copies available).

For Motor Boats

- 2. Sailboats, rowboats and canoes have the right of way over power boats. Steer clear of them, and remember your wake may cause trouble.
- 3. Always reduce speed near shore. You may destroy spawning areas, and make it dangerous for swimmers and bathers.
- 4. TRAFFIC LANE IS 200 FEET FROM THE SHORE LINE or 75 feet from projecting extremities of any pier, wharf or other structure.
- 5. Motor-boat racing is prohibited, being classified as recklessness, on our lake.
- 6. Maximum boat speed is 25 M.P.H. from Sunrise to Sunset. . . 10 M.P.H. from Sunset to Sunrise, 3 M.P.H. in channels.
- 7. You may be charged with recklessness, defined as follows:
 - (1). Passing small craft or swimmers so their lives are placed in jeopardy, by propellor wash, wake or collision.
 - (2). Motor-boats Zig-Zagging or racing, especially in presence of swimmers or small craft.
 - (3). "Jumping" wakes of other boats or your own.
 (4). "Buzzing" docks, floats or shores.
- 8. Do not refuel with the motor running.9. Boats must stay 200 feet from shore. Trespassing on private property is prohibited.
- For All Boats and Canoes

USE COMMON SENSE AFLOAT

- KNOW YOUR BOAT
 Every boat has its limitations.
- STATE LAW
 The state law requires a U. S. Coast Guard approved floatation device for each and every occupant.
- 3. DON'T OVERLOAD Seats do not necessarily indicate capacity.
- 4. BALANCE YOUR LOAD
 Distribute weight evenly from side and from bow to stern.
- 5. KEEP LOW
 Step in the center of the boat when boarding or changing seats.
- 6. WATCH THE WEATHER.
 Head for shore before a storm breaks. If caught out, seat passengers on the floor.
- 7. HEAD INTO THE WAVES

 Low speed at all times when waves are high
- 8. USE THE RIGHT MOTOR
 Too much power, too much speed can damage your boat and swamp it.
- 9. AVOID SHARP TURNS
 Fast, sharp turns are hard on equipment, and sometimes, to people. Take it easy.
- 10. REGISTER YOUR BOAT
 Register your boat with the Wisconsin Conservation Department.
- 11. SAFETY
 For safety's sake there should be two in a canoe.

- 1. You will be charged with recklessness and disorderly conduct if you cross channels, lakes, or swim 200 feet from shore without a boat to accompany you. . . Boat must contain one life preserver for each swimmer.
- 2. For safety as well as the peace of mind of others interested in your welfare, you should never swim alone.
- 3. Swimming at night, or early in the morning, can become a nuisance to your neighbors, depending upon how much noise you make.
- 4. Skin divers should dive with a buddy and mark their diving position with a float and the approved skin diver's flag. Boaters must stay at least 200 feet from skin diver's marker.

For Water-Skiers and Surf-Board Riders

TOWN OF EAST TROY WATER SAFETY LAWS

- 1. SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS & HOLIDAYS TOW ONLY ONE SKIER . . . SKI ONLY 10 A.M. to 7 P.M.
- 2. Monday through Friday you may tow 2 skiers. . . Ski from 10:00 A.M. to sunset.
- 3. Skiers must ski at least 200 feet from shore.
- 4. Skiers must wear safety belt or life preserver.
- 5. When towing a skier the boat must be manned by 2 competent persons. Driver 18 years of age or over and observer 14 years of age or over.
- 6. Stop your motor when assisting a skier into the boat.
- 7. Pick up fellow skiers and floating skis immediately.
- 8. Use caution when bringing skier into shore
- 9. Stay away from docks, rafts, other boats, floats, channel markers, swimmers, and fishermen.

For All Property Owners, Renters and Guests

- 1. Wisconsin law levies a fine for throwing debris on highways, parks private or public property. For throwing refuse into lakes or streams, maximum fine is \$100 or 30 days in jail, plus revocation of hunting or fishing licenses for one year.
- 2. Use the Town Dump east of East Troy on Highway 24 for your trash and debris. It is open 7 days per week, and paid for from taxes for your use.
- 3. Watch Fires. Before you may legally start an open outdoor, uncontained fire, between May and November, you must first secure a permit.
- 4. Parents are now liable under Wisconsin law up to \$300 for vandalism committed by their children.
- 5. Keep your dog quiet, if possible. The Law provides that dogs must be tied April 15 Sept. 15.
- 6. Septic Tanks check annually and have cleaned when solids reach 1/3 tank depth.
- 7. Zoning and Building —The town is zoned and a building permit is required for all major changes and additions.