

Town of Shutesbury

Number: 730619

Watercraft and Persons using Lake Wyola

Bylaw Name

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Amendments:

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May 5, 1989 Noncriminal disposition	
June 15, 1989	
May 4, 2002	August 19, 2002
May 27, 2003	October 1, 2003

Town Bylaw in reference to watercraft and persons using Lake Wyola:

1. All motorboats must comply with Massachusetts Boating Laws and Coast Guard Regulations for safety equipment.
2. Speed limit on Lake Wyola is not to exceed (30 mph) day time and 5 mph dusk to dawn.
3. The speed limit within 150 feet of shore is 5 mph.
4. All motorboats must travel in a counter clockwise direction around the lake.
5. No water skiing between dusk and dawn.
6. *No watercraft are allowed other than non-motorized watercraft that are docking or launching in swimming areas designated and marked by the state or town or the East, North or West Lake Wyola Association beaches. Such areas shall extend no further than 75 feet from shore.*
7. Swimmers must be accompanied by a boat when swimming out beyond 150 feet from shore.

Enforcing persons and fines: Fines for items 1, 2 and 3 are \$50.00 per offense and are enforced by all police officers. Fines for Items 4, 5, 6 and 7 are \$25.00 per offense and are enforced by Selectboard, all police officers and constables with jurisdiction.

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6. Motorboats must stay 150 feet from shore and swimming areas.
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SEVERABILITY

It is the intent of the Town meeting to ratify this bylaw in its entirety. If any portion of this bylaw is determined invalid than the entire bylaw shall be considered invalid. When this "Town bylaw in reference to motorboats and persons using Lake Wyola" is approved at the Attorney General's Office it will replace the 1973 bylaw limited speeds of motorboats on Lake Wyola, the September 30, 1981 bylaw regulating motorboats on Lake Wyola and the August 9, 1989 noncriminal bylaw concerning motor boats and persons at Lake Wyola.



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e bylaw info, October 16, 2003 OCT 17 2003*

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to*

Ms. Leslie Bracebridge
Town Clerk
P.O. Box 264
Shutesbury, MA 01072

Dear Ms. Bracebridge,

We have reviewed the bylaw amendment entitled "Watercraft and Persons using Lake Wyola", which was approved at the Annual Town Meeting held on May 3, 2003 in the town of Shutesbury.

Please be advised that under the authority given our office by M.G.L. Chapter 90B, sections 15(c), 11(n) and M.G.L. Chapter 131, section 45, said bylaw amendment is hereby **approved**.

Sincerely,

Richard A. Murray
Richard A. Murray
Director

Cc: AGO

