

RULES REGULATING
THE USE OF PARTICULAR PUBLIC WATERS
10 V.S.A. § 1424

(NOTE: The language enclosed by brackets is proposed for deletion, new language is underlined. These amendments are proposed in conjunction with the proposed Use of Public Waters Policy Rules for the reasons indicated by footnote. If there is any question or objection to the proposed amendments, please contact the Water Resources Board, c/o William A. Bartlett, Executive Officer at 828-2871).

1. Adams Reservoir, Town of Woodford (UPW-86-05)

- a. The operation of vessels powered by an internal combustion motor is prohibited.
- [b. Vessels operated by agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply with Rule a at all times, except in cases where law enforcement, emergencies¹ or performance of official duties requires otherwise.]

Effective January 1, 1987

2. Beebe Pond, Town of Hubbardton (UPW-72-05)

- a. Waterskiing is prohibited on Beebe Pond in the Town of Hubbardton.
- b. [Boats] Vessels powered by motors [of more than] exceeding 10 horsepower are prohibited on Beebe Pond.
- c. A person operating a [boat] vessels powered by motor shall not exceed a speed limit of 5 miles per hour on Beebe Pond.¹⁰
- [d. No motorboat shall be operated in a manner that produces turbidity of the waters of Beebe Pond in violation of applicable Regulating Governing Water Classification and Control of Quality or that causes erosion of the shoreline or that results² in damage to any existing fishery or to the aquatic environment.]
- e. No houseboats or boats³ with living facilities are permitted on Beebe Pond at any time.
- f. These rules supplement and are not intended to modify⁶ other applicable laws and regulations except as provided herein.
- g. To the extent they have authority to do so, the selectmen of the Town of Hubbardton may make ordinances to amplify or enforce

these rules, in a manner consistent with them, as the public interest of all the citizens of the State warrants.

- h. The Vermont Water Resources Board retains jurisdiction over the subject matter of these rules and may modify them in accordance with applicable statutes.]⁶

Effective October 2, 1973

3. Black Pond, Town of Hubbardton (UPW-85-02)

- a. The operation of vessels powered by an internal combustion motor is prohibited.
- [b. Vessels operated by agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply with Rule a at all times, except in cases where law enforcement, emergencies, or performance of official duties requires otherwise.]¹

Effective January 1, 1986

4. Lake Bomoseen, Town of Castleton (UPW-72-01)

- [a. No water-skier or power boat operating in excess of 5 m.p.h. shall be permitted within 100 feet of shore on that portion of Lake Bomoseen from its southern-most point to and including the narrows at Indian Point.
- b. No houseboats or other boats with living facilities are permitted on Lake Bomoseen.
- c. No person shall operate a motorboat in a manner which produces turbidity in violation of the Regulations Governing Water Classification and Control of Quality applicable to Lake Bomoseen.²
- d. These rules supplement and are in no way intended to modify other applicable laws and regulations other than as provided herein.⁶
- e. The Agency of Environmental Conservation shall use every reasonable effort to post visible and legible signs in the area stating these rules for the information of the public.⁵
- f. To the extent they have authority to do so, the selectmen of the Town of Castleton may amplify or make ordinances to enforce these rules, in a manner consistent with them, as the public interest of all citizens of the State warrants.⁶
- g. The Vermont Water Resources Board retains continuing jurisdiction over the subject matter of these rules and may modify them, pursuant to statute.]⁶

Effective August 15, 1974

5. Burr Pond, Town of Sudbury (UPW-72-03 and UPW-78-01)

- a. No boat powered by motor shall be operated anywhere on Burr Pond in excess of 5 m.p.h. between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 10:00 a.m. local time.
- b. Any [power boat] motorboat launched at the public Fish and Game access is to be utilized solely for the purpose of fishing on Burr Pond and shall be limited to a speed of 5 m.p.h. regardless of when or where operated on Burr Pond. [A clearly visible and legible sign will be posted by the Agency of Environmental Conservation at the Fish and Game access area stating this rule and other pertinent restrictions or regulations on the operation of such watercraft apply.]⁵
- [c. No houseboats or boats with living facilities are permitted on Burr Pond at any time.]
- d. No persons shall operate a motorboat in a manner which produces turbidity in violation of applicable Regulations Governing Water Classification and Control of Quality.²
- e. These rules supplement and are not intended to modify other laws and regulations applicable to boating in Vermont.⁶
- f. To the extent they have authority to do so, the selectmen of the Town of Sudbury may amplify or make ordinances to enforce these rules, in a manner consistent with them, as the public interest of all the citizens of the State warrants.⁶
- g. The Vermont Water Resources Board retains continuing jurisdiction over the subject matter of these rules and may modify them, pursuant to statute, as it should determine the need to.]⁶

Effective September 28, 1972

6. Caspian Lake, Town of Greensboro (UPW-91-01)

- a. Vessels powered by motor shall not exceed a speed of 40 m.p.h. between one half hour before sunrise and one half hour after sunset.
- b. Vessels powered by motor shall not exceed a speed of 10 m.p.h. between one half hour after sunset and one half hour before sunrise.
- c. Personal watercraft shall not be operated in a manner or at a speed that causes the exhaust jet to come out of the water in order to avoid an increase in the noise level or pitch above that experienced in normal operation on smooth water.
- d. Ski slalom courses must comply with the following:

I. Construction

- A. Length of the course measured on the surface of the water shall be no more than 600 feet.
- B. There shall be no more than 16 buoys providing for no more than four slalom turns.
- C. The buoys may be attached to an underlying framework located at least five feet below the surface of the lake.

II. Location

- A. There may be no more than one course on the lake at any one time.
- B. The location each year must be at least 1,000 feet from the prior year's location measured from the closest buoy of each such location.
- C. The course must run as nearly parallel as possible to the nearest shore.
- D. All buoys must be at least 800 feet from shore.

III. Use

- A. Sanctioned or public competition or exhibitions are prohibited.
 - B. Use by personal watercraft or any vessel powered by motor other than a motorboat towing a water skier is prohibited.
 - C. Boat shall turn away from the nearest shore upon entrance to and exist from the course.
- [e. Vessels shall comply with the above rules at all times, except in cases where law enforcement, emergencies or the performance₁ of official State of Vermont duties requires otherwise.]

7. Colchester Pond, Town of Colchester (UPW-91-03)

- a. The operation of vessels powered by motor is prohibited.
- b. Except in an emergency situation or as authorized by the Vermont Transportation Board in accordance with 5 V.S.A. Chapter 9, aircraft are prohibited from landing or taking off.

- [c. Vessels and aircraft owned or operated by agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply with these rules at all times except in cases where law enforcement, emergencies or the performance of official duties require otherwise.]¹

Effective March 8, 1993.

8. Cole Pond, Town of Jamaica (UPW-90-02)

- a. The [use] operation of vessels powered by internal combustion motors is prohibited effective January 1, 1993.¹⁰
- b. Vessels powered by motor shall not exceed a speed of five m.p.h.
- [c. Vessels shall comply with the above rules at all times, except in cases where law enforcement, emergencies or the performance of official duties requires otherwise.]¹

Effective February 1, 1992

Lake Dunmore, Towns of Salisbury and Leicester (UPW-72-04)

- [a. No houseboats or boats with living facilities are permitted on Lake Dunmore after December 31, 1973.]³
- b. No motorboats shall be operated in a manner that produces turbidity of the waters of Lake Dunmore in violation of applicable Regulations Governing Water Classification and Control of Quality or that causes erosion of the shoreline or that results in damage to any existing fishery or to the aquatic environment.²
- c. These rules supplement and are not intended to modify⁶ other applicable laws and regulations except as provided herein.
- d. To the extent they have authority to do so, the selectmen of the Towns of Salisbury and Leicester may make ordinances to amplify or enforce these rules, in a manner consistent with them,⁶ as the public interest of all the citizens of the State warrants.
- e. The Vermont Water Resources Board retains jurisdiction over the subject matter of these rules and may modify them in accordance with applicable statutes.]⁶

Effective July 26, 1972

10. Echo Lake (Keeler Pond), Towns of Sudbury and Hubbardton
(UPW-82-01)

- a. The operation of vessels powered by a motor at speeds exceeding five (5) miles per hour or in such a manner as to cause a disturbing wake is prohibited in Echo Lake (Keeler Pond).
- [b. Vessels owned or operated by agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply with these rules at all times except in cases where law enforcement, emergencies or the performance of official duties require otherwise.]¹

Effective November 29, 1982

11. Elfin Lake, Town of Wallingford (UPW-87-03)

- a. The operation of vessels powered by an internal combustion motor is prohibited.
- [b. Vessels operated by agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply with Rule a at all times, except in cases where law enforcement, emergencies, or performance of official duties requires otherwise.]¹

Effective January 1, 1988

12. Emerald Lake, Town of East Dorset (UPW-86-02)

- a. The operation of vessels powered by an internal combustion motor is prohibited.
- [b. Vessels operated by agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply with Rule a at all times, except in cases where law enforcement, emergencies, or performance of official duties requires otherwise.]¹

Effective January 1, 1987

13. Lake Fairlee, Towns of Fairlee, West Fairlee and Thetford
(UPW-87-01)

- [a. The use of vessels for residential purposes is prohibited. For purposes of these rules, the term "residential purposes" shall include, but not be limited to, sleeping overnight on a vessel.]³
- b. Vessels operated by agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply with Rule a at all times, except in cases where law enforcement, emergencies, or the performance of official duties requires otherwise.]¹

Effective May 25, 1988

14. Fern Lake, Town of Leicester (UPW-80-02)

- a. No [boat] vessel powered by motor shall be operated on Fern Lake at speeds in excess of 5 m.p.h. or in such a manner as to cause a disturbing wake.
- b. Except as may be authorized by the Vermont Aeronautics Board, no aircraft shall land on or take off from Fern Lake except under emergency conditions.
- [c. Boats or aircraft owned or operated by agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply with all these rules at all times except in cases where law enforcement, emergencies or the performance of official duties require otherwise.]¹

Effective November 17, 1980

15. Gale Meadows Pond, Towns of Winhall and Londonderry (UPW-90-03)

- a. Vessels powered by motor shall not exceed a speed of five m.p.h.
- [b. Vessels shall comply with the above rules at all times, except in cases where law enforcement, emergencies or the performance of official duties requires otherwise.]¹

Effective February 1, 1992

16. Glen Lake, Towns of Castleton, Fair Haven and Benson (UPW-75-01)

- a. No [boat] vessel powered by motor shall be operated anywhere on Glen Lake at speeds in excess of five (5) miles per hour.¹⁰
- [b. No houseboats or boats³ with living facilities are permitted on Glen Lake at any time.
- c. All power boats shall be operated in strict conformance with Title 25, Chapter 5 of the Vermont Statutes Annotated, dealing with water safety and the use of motorboats (for details consult pamphlet put out by Department of Public Safety).
- d. Boats owned or operated by Agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply insofar as possible with the rules promulgated herein by the Vermont Water Resources Board, except in cases of law enforcement, emergencies or the performance of official duties.¹
- e. These rules supplement and are not intended to modify other applicable laws and regulations other than as provided herein.⁶
- f. The Vermont Water Resources Board retains jurisdiction over the subject matter of these rules and may modify them in accordance with applicable statutes.]⁶

Effective April 1, 1978

17. Greenwood Lake, Town of Woodbury (UPW-90-01)

- a. Unless otherwise prohibited by law, vessels powered by motor when towing water-skier(s) shall travel in a counterclockwise direction.
- b. Unless otherwise prohibited by law, waterskiing shall be limited to the following times:
 - (1) Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.
 - (2) Saturday and Sunday from noon until 7:00 p.m.
- [c. Vessels shall comply with the above rules at all times, except in cases where law enforcement, emergencies or the performance of official duties requires otherwise.]¹

Effective February 1, 1992

18. Grout Pond, Town of Stratton (UPW-73-02)

- a. [No motors, other than electrically powered motors, shall be used on the pond.] The operation of vessels powered by an internal combustion motor is prohibited.
- [b. No houseboats or boats with living facilities are permitted on the pond.³
- c. Docks or floats, whether removable² or permanent, shall be constructed of non-polluting material.
- d. Boats owned or operated by agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply insofar as possible with the rules promulgated herein by the Vermont Water Resources Board, except in cases of law enforcement, emergencies or the performance of official duties.¹
- e. The Agency of Environmental Conservation shall make every reasonable effort to post visible and legible signs in the area stating these rules for the information of the public.⁵
- f. These rules supplement and are not intended to modify⁶ other applicable laws and regulations except as provided herein.
- g. To the extent they have authority to do so, the Selectmen of the Town of Stratton may make ordinances to amplify or enforce these rules, in a manner consistent with them,⁶ as the public interest of all citizens of the State may warrant.
- h. The Vermont Water Resources Board retains jurisdiction over the subject matter of these rules and may modify them in accordance with applicable statutes.]⁶

Effective August 15, 1974

19. Half Moon Pond, Town of Hubbardton (UPW-86-03)

- a. The operation of vessels powered by an internal combustion motor is prohibited.
- [b. Vessels operated by agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply with Rule a at all times, except in cases where all enforcement, emergencies,¹ or performance of official duties requires otherwise.]¹

Effective January 1, 1987

20. Halls Lake, Town of Newbury (UPW-89-01)

- a. Waterskiing is limited to the hours between 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

[b. Vessels powered by motor shall not exceed a speed of 10 m.p.h. between one half hour after sunset and one half hour before sunrise.

[c. Vessels shall comply with the above rules at all times, except in cases where law enforcement, emergencies or the performance of official duties requires otherwise.]¹

Effective February 1, 1992

21. Lake Hortonia, Towns of Hubbardton and Sudbury (UPW-85-01)

[a. The operation of boats at speeds in excess of 5 m.p.h. or in such a manner as to cause a disturbing wake is prohibited on that portion of Lake Hortonia generally described as the bay or channel between the dam and the main lake. This prohibition applies only to that portion of the Lake between an imaginary line between camp #116 and camp #225 (Map of Lake Hortonia 1985) and the dam at the Lake's outlet brook.

b. Vessels operated by agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply with Rule a at all times, except in cases where law enforcement, emergencies¹ or performance of official duties requires otherwise.]¹

Effective January 7, 1986

22. Huff (Hough Pond), Town of Sudbury (UPW-83-01)

a. The operation of vessels powered by an internal combustion motor is prohibited.

[b. Vessels operated by agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply with Rule a at all times except in cases where law enforcement, emergencies¹ or performance of official duties requires otherwise.]¹

Effective August 7, 1984

23. Indian Brook Reservoir, Town of Essex (UPW-88-06)

a. The operation of vessels powered by an internal combustion motor[s] is prohibited.⁹

b. Except in an emergency situation or as authorized by the Vermont Transportation Board in accordance with 5 V.S.A. Chapter 9, aircraft are prohibited from landing or taking off from Indian Brook Reservoir.

[c. Vessels shall comply with Rules a and b at all times, except in cases where law enforcement, emergencies or performance of official duties requires otherwise.]¹

Effective April 20, 1989

24. Lewis Pond, Town of Lewis (UPW-89-03)

- a. Vessels powered by motor shall not exceed a speed of 5 m.p.h.
- [b. Vessels owned or operated by agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply with these rules at all times except in cases where law enforcement, emergencies or the performance of official duties require otherwise.]¹

Effective March 8, 1993

25. Little Hosmer Pond, Town of Craftsbury (UPW-73-01)

- a. [Waterskiing is prohibited on Little Hosmer Pond in the Town of Craftsbury.]¹²
- b. Boats powered by motors of more than 10 horsepower are prohibited on Little Hosmer Pond.
- c. No person shall operate a [boat] vessels powered by motor at any time at a speed in excess of 5 miles per hour on Little Hosmer Pond.¹⁰
- [d. No motorboat shall be operated in a manner that produces turbidity of the waters on Little Hosmer Pond in violation of applicable Regulation Governing Water Classification and Control of Quality or that cause erosion of the shoreline or that results in damage to any existing fishery or the aquatic environment.]²
- e. No houseboats or boats with living facilities are permitted on Little Hosmer Pond at any time.³
- f. These rules supplement and are not intended to modify⁶ other applicable laws and regulations except as provided herein.
- g. To the extent they have authority to do so, the selectmen of the Town of Craftsbury may make ordinances to amplify or enforce these rules, in a manner consistent with them, ⁶as the public interest of all the citizens of the State warrants.
- h. The Vermont Water Resources Board retains jurisdiction over the subject matter of these rules and may modify them in accordance with applicable statutes.]⁶

Effective October 2, 1973

26. Long Pond, Town of Greensboro (UPW-74-03)

- a. [No motors, other than electrically powered motors, shall be used on the Pond.] The operation of vessels powered by an internal combustion motor is prohibited.⁵
- [b. Docks and floats and other structures shall be permitted on the Pond only as provided for in Title 29, Chapter 11, Vermont Statutes Annotated.]²

- c. Boats owned or operated by Agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply insofar as possible with the rules promulgated herein by the the Vermont Water Resources Board, except in cases of law enforcement, emergencies, or the performance of official duties.¹
- d. The Agency of Environmental Conservation shall make every reasonable effort to post visible and legible signs in the area stating these rules for the information of the public.⁵
- e. These rules supplement, and are not intended to modify,⁶ other applicable laws and regulations except as provided herein.
- f. To the extent they have the authority to do so, the selectmen of the Town of Greensboro may make Ordinances to amplify or enforce these rules, in a manner consistent with them, as the public interest of all the citizens of the State may warrant.⁶
- g. The Vermont Water Resources Board retains jurisdiction over the subject matter of these rules and may modify them in accordance with applicable statutes.]⁶

Effective September 16, 1975

27. Lowell Lake, Town of Londonderry (UPW-87-04)

- a. The operation of vessels powered by an internal combustion motor is prohibited.
- [b. Vessels operated by agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply with Rule a at all times, except in cases where law enforcement, emergencies,¹ or performance of official duties require otherwise.]¹

Effective April 13, 1988

28. May Pond, Town of Barton (UPW-87-02)

- a. The operation of vessels powered by an internal combustion motor is prohibited.
- [b. Vessels operated by agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply with Rule a at all times, except in cases where law enforcement, emergencies,¹ or performance of official duties requires otherwise.]¹

Effective January 1, 1988

29. Mill Pond, Town of Windsor (UPW-88-02)

- a. The operation of vessels and vehicles powered by an internal combustion motor except snowmobiles on a designated trail is prohibited.

- [b. Vessels or vehicles operated by agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply with Rule a at all times, except in cases where law enforcement, emergencies or performance of official duties requires otherwise.]¹

Effective March 9, 1989

30. Mirror Lake, Town of Calais (UPW-78-02)

- a. Vessels [propelled] powered by a motor shall not exceed a speed of 5 miles per hour within the two bay areas south of Hall Point.¹⁰
- b. For the remainder of the lake, vessels [propelled] powered¹⁰ by a motor shall not exceed a speed of 10 miles per hour.
- [c. Houseboats and the use of boats for residential purposes are prohibited.]³
- d. Vessels operated by agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply with these rules at all times unless the performance of official duties requires otherwise.¹
- e. All vessels shall be operated in accordance with Chapter 7 of Title 25 V.S.A. which applies to all waters of the State of Vermont. (For details, consult the Vermont Department of Public Safety, Montpelier).]

Effective December 17, 1978

31. Lake Morey, Town of Fairlee (UPW-88-05)

- a. Vessels powered by motor shall not exceed a speed of [40] 45 m.p.h.
- [b. Vessels shall comply with the above rules at all times, except in cases where law enforcement, emergencies or the performance of official duties requires otherwise.]¹

Effective February 1, 1992

32. Lake Ninevah, Town of Mount Holly (UPW-88-01)

- [a. The use of vessel for residential purposes is prohibited. For purposes of this rule, the term "residential purposes" shall include, but not be limited to, sleeping overnight on a vessel.]³
- b. [Boats] Vessels powered by motor[s] shall not be operated at speeds exceeding five (5) miles per hour.¹⁰
- c. Except in an emergency situation or as authorized by the Vermont Transportation Board in accordance with 5 V.S.A. Chapter 9, aircraft are prohibited from landing or taking off from Lake Ninevah.

- [d. Vessels or aircraft operated by agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply with the above rules at all times, except in cases where law enforcement, emergencies or the performance of official duties requires otherwise.]¹

Effective April 20, 1989

33. North Springfield Reservoir, Towns of Weathersfield and Springfield (UPW-71-01)

- a. [All forms of waterskiing are prohibited on North Springfield Reservoir.]¹²
- b. [Boats] Vessels powered by motor shall not exceed a speed limit of five (5) miles per hour on North Springfield Reservoir.¹⁰

Effective May 25, 1972

34. Lake St. Catherine, Towns of Wells and Poultney (UPW-79-02)

- a. Waterskiing is prohibited in the following waters:
- (1) All portions of Lily Pond and the channel connecting Lily Pond and Lake St. Catherine.
 - (2) All portions of the channel connecting Little Lake (also known as Little Pond) and Lake St. Catherine.
- b. The operation of vessels powered by motor at speeds exceeding five (5) miles per hour or in such a manner as to cause a disturbing wake is prohibited in the following waters:
- (1) All portions of Lily Pond and the channel connecting Lily Pond and Lake St. Catherine.
 - (2) All portions of the channel connecting Little Lake (also known as Little Pond) and Lake St. Catherine.
 - (3) Forest House Bay - defined for purposes of this rule as those waters south and southwest of a straight line between the southerly corner of Camp 102 and the northeasterly corner of Camp 110A.¹³
 - (4) Hall's Bay - defined for purposes of this rule as those waters north and northeast of a straight line between the southerly corner of Camp 224 and the northerly corner of Camp 207.¹³
 - (5) Horseshoe Bay - defined for purposes of this rule as those waters west of a straight line between the easterly corner of Camp 38 and northerly corner of Camp 46A.¹³

(6) Oxbow Bay - defined for purposes of this rule as those waters west of a straight line between the northerly corner of Camp 21 and the northerly corner of Camp 36.¹³

(7) With regard to Forset House Bay, Hall's Bay, Horseshoe Bay and Oxbow Bay, it is permissible for a boat to start and return to its own dock at speeds in excess of 5 m.p.h. for purposes of water skiing. In starting, the boat must head directly out of the safety zone. In returning, the boat must go directly to its dock, at the lowest speed necessary to sustain the skier.

c. For purposes of this regulation only, the term "channel" as used in rules a and b above, shall mean those waters within and contiguous to Lake St. Catherine which are less than 400 feet in width and which serve to connect that Lake with Lily Pond or Little Lake (also known as Little Pond).

[d. Boats or vehicles owned or operated by agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply with these rules at all times except in cases where law enforcement, emergencies or the performance of official duties require otherwise.]¹

Effective November 17, 1980

35. Lake Shaftsbury, Town of Shaftsbury (UPW-86-04)

a. The operation of vessels powered by an internal combustion motor is prohibited.

[b. Vessels operated by agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply with Rule a at all times, except in cases where law enforcement, emergencies,¹ or performance of official duties requires otherwise.]

Effective January 1, 1987

36. Lake Paran, Town of Bennington (UPW-80-01)

a. [The use and operation of motor propelled boats on the waters of Lake Paran is hereby prohibited.] The operation of vessels powered by motor is prohibited.¹⁰

Effective July 14, 1980

37. Perch Pond, Town of Benson (UPW-73-04)

- a. No motors, other than electrically powered motors, shall be used on the pond.
- [b. No houseboats or boats with living facilities are permitted on the pond.³
- c. Docks or floats, whether removable,² or permanent, shall be constructed of non-polluting material.
- d. Boats owned or operated by agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply insofar as possible with the rules promulgated herein by the Vermont Water Resources Board, except in case of law enforcement, emergencies or the performance of official duties.¹
- e. The Agency of Environmental Conservation shall make every reasonable effort to post visible and legible signs in the area stating these rules for the information of the public.⁵
- f. These rules supplement and are not intended to modify⁶ other applicable laws and regulations except as provided herein.
- g. To the extent they have the authority to do so, the Selectmen of the Town of Benson may make ordinances or amplify or enforce these rules, in a manner consistent with them, as⁶ the public interest of all the citizens of the State may warrant.
- h. The Vermont Water Resources board retains jurisdiction over the subject matter of these rules and may modify them in accordance with applicable statutes.]⁶

Effective October 18, 1974

38. Silver Lake, Town of Barnard (UPW-71-02)

- [a. Consistent with 25 V.S.A. § 310(c), a person operating any motorboat on the public waters of Silver Lake is prohibited from exceeding a speed limit of 5 m.p.h.:
 - (1) within 200 feet of any person swimming or of any canoe, rowboat, sailboat, raft or other light craft containing one or more persons; or
 - (2) within 200 feet of the shoreline.]⁷
- b. Between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. local time a maximum of four persons at one time may operate motorboats for purposes of the waterskiing on Silver Lake, provided that the use of the lake for waterskiing shall not be conducted to the exclusion of other normal uses and provided further that each person operating a motorboat engaged in waterskiing shall:

[(1) obey Rule a; and

(2) obey 25 V.S.A. § 313(c) by controlling the boat so the water-skis (or other similar device) or any person on them do not approach within 100 feet of any person swimming or of any canoe, rowboat, sailboat, raft, or other light craft containing one or more persons; and]

(3) proceed only in a counterclockwise direction.

[c. No person shall operate a motorboat in a manner which produces turbidity in violation of the applicable Regulations Governing Water Classification and Control of Quality.

d. Nothing in these rules shall be interpreted to be inconsistent with any law or rule of the State of Vermont governing the use of motorboats or discharges of wastes from any boat or any other activity that may impair the quality of the public waters of Silver Lake or the State.

e. To the extent they have authority to do so, the Selectmen of the Town of Barnard may amplify these rules, in a manner consistent with them, as the public interest of all the citizens of the State warrants.

f. The Vermont Water Resources Board retains jurisdiction over the subject matter of these rules in order to observe their effects and implementation.]

Effective May 19, 1972

39. Spring Lake, Town of Shrewsbury (UPW-73-03)

a. [Waterskiing is prohibited.]¹²

b. [Only electrically powered motors shall be used to power boats.]
The operation of vessels powered by an internal combustion motor is prohibited.⁹

c. A person operating a [power boat] vessel powered by motor shall not exceed a speed limit of 5 m.p.h.¹⁰

d. Except as may be authorized by the Vermont Aeronautics Board, no aircraft shall land on, or take off from, Spring Lake except under emergency conditions.

[e. Docks or floats, whether removable, or permanent, shall be constructed of non-polluting material.²

f. No houseboats, or boats with living facilities, are permitted.³

g. Boats owned or operated by agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply insofar as possible with the rules promulgated herein by the Vermont Water Resources Board, except in cases of law enforcement, emergencies, or the performance of official duties.¹

- h. These rules supplement, and are not intended to modify, other applicable laws and regulations, except as provided herein.⁶
- i. To the extent they have authority to do so, the Selectmen of the Town of Shrewsbury may make Ordinances to amplify or enforce these rules, in a manner consistent with them, as the public interest of all the citizens of the State may warrant.⁶
- j. The Vermont Water Resources Board retains jurisdiction over the subject matter of these rules and may modify them in accordance with applicable Statutes.]⁶

Effective May 31, 1974

40. Sunrise Lake, Towns of Benson & Orwell (UPW-89-05)

- a. Vessels powered by motor shall not exceed a speed of five m.p.h.
- [b. Vessels operated by agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply with the above rules at all times, except in cases where law enforcement, emergencies or the performance of official duties requires otherwise.]¹

Effective February 1, 1992

41. Stoughton Pond, Town of Weathersfield (UPW-71-01)

- a. [All forms of waterskiing are prohibited on Stoughton Pond.]¹²
- b. [Boats] Vessels powered by motor shall not exceed a speed limit of five miles per hour on Stoughton Pond.¹⁰

Effective May 25, 1972

42. Stratton Pond, Town of Stratton (UPW-73-02)

- a. [No motors shall be used to power boats on the pond.] The operation of vessels powered by motor is prohibited.¹⁶
- [b. No houseboats or boats with living facilities are permitted on the pond.]³
- c. No docks or floats, whether permanent or temporary, are permitted on the pond.
- [d. Boats owned or operated by agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply insofar as possible with the rule promulgated herein by the Vermont Water Resources Board, except in cases of law enforcement, emergencies or the performance of official duties.]¹
- e. The Agency of Environmental Conservation shall make every reasonable effort to post visible and legible signs in the area stating these rules for the information of the public.⁵

- f. These rules supplement and are not intended to modify⁶ other applicable laws and regulations except as provided herein.
- g. To the extent they have the authority to do so, the Selectmen of the Town of Stratton may make ordinances to amplify or enforce these rules, in a manner consistent with them, as the public interest of all the citizens of the State may warrant.⁶
- h. The Vermont Water Resources Board retains jurisdiction over the subject matter of these rules and may modify them in accordance with applicable statutes.]⁶

Effective October 7, 1974

43. Sunset Lake, Town of Benson (UPW-74-04)

- a. Waterskiing on Sunset Lake is restricted to the hours from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- b. No more than one water-skier shall be pulled by a boat at any time.
- [c. Consistent with the laws and regulations governing use and registration of motorboats set out in Title 25, Chapter 5, Vermont Statutes Annotated, any person operating a motorboat on Sunset lake is prohibited from exceeding a speed limit of 5 m.p.h. within 200 feet of a person swimming, or a canoe, rowboat or other light craft containing any person.
- d. Any person operating a motorboat on Sunset Lake is prohibited from exceeding a speed limit of 5 m.p.h. within 200 feet⁷ of the shoreline, except for starting or stopping a water-skier.
- e. No house boats or boats with living facilities are permitted on the lake.³
- f. Docks or floats, whether removable² or permanent, shall be constructed of non-polluting material.
- g. Boats owned or operated by agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply insofar as possible with the rules promulgated herein by the Vermont Water Resources Board, except in cases of law enforcement, emergencies or the performances of official duties.¹
- h. The Agency of Environmental Conservation shall make every reasonable effort to post visible and legible signs in the area stating these rules for the information of the public.⁵
- i. These rules supplement and are not intended to modify⁶ other applicable laws and regulations except as provided herein.
- j. To the extent they have the authority to do so, the Selectmen of the Town of Benson may make ordinances to amplify or enforce

these rules, in a manner consistent with the, as the public interest of all the citizens of the State may warrant.⁶

- k. The Vermont Water Resources Board retains jurisdiction over the subject matter of these rules⁶ and may modify them in accordance with the applicable statutes.]⁶

Effective October 18, 1974

44. Valley Lake, Town of Woodbury (UPW-72-06)

- [a. No boat powered by motor shall be operated on Valley Lake in the Town of Woodbury at a speed in excess of 10 miles per hour when within 100 feet of the shoreline.⁴
- b. No boat shall be operated on Valley Lake with a motor or engine whose rated capacity is in excess of 55 horse power.
- c. No houseboat or other boat within living facilities is permitted on Valley Lake.]³
- d. Waterskiing on Valley Lake shall be restricted to the hours from 10:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.⁴ [No waterskiing is permitted within 100 feet of the shoreline.]
- [e. No motorboat shall be operated in a manner that produces turbidity of the waters of Valley Lake in violation of applicable Regulations Governing Water Classification and Control of Quality or that causes erosion of the shoreline or that results² in damage to any existing fishery or to the aquatic environment.
- f. These rules supplement and are not intended to modify⁶ other applicable laws and regulations except as provided herein.
- g. To the extent they have authority to do so, the Selectmen of the Town of Woodbury may make ordinances to amplify or enforcement these rules, in a manner consistent with them,⁶ as the public interest of all citizens of the State may warrant.
- h. The Vermont Water Resources Board restrain jurisdiction over the subject matter of these rules and may modify them in accordance with applicable statutes.]⁶

Effective October 2, 1973

45. Waterbury Reservoir, Town of Waterbury (UPW-88-04)

- a. Vessels powered by motor shall not exceed five (5) miles per hour or create a disturbing wake in that portion of the north arm of Waterbury Reservoir northeast of the confluence of Cotton Brook.
- b. Except when authorized by the Department of Public Safety under 23 V.S.A. Section 3316(a), vessels powered by motor shall not exceed five (5) miles per hour or create a disturbing wake in the

bay on the east arm of Waterbury Reservoir on which the Water Center Day Use area is located.

- c. The siting of all water ski slalom courses in Waterbury Reservoir must be approved by the Agency of Natural Resources.
- [d. Vessels operated by agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply with Rules a and b at all times, except in cases where law enforcement, emergencies or the performance of official duties requires otherwise.]¹

46. Woodward Reservoir, Town of Plymouth (UPW-71-03)

- a. [No power boats] Vessels powered by motor shall be operated anywhere on Woodward Reservoir at a speed in excess not of 5 m.p.h. between 6:00 p.m. and 10:00 a.m. local time.¹⁰
- b. [Any power boat] Any vessels powered by motor operated north of a line from shore to shore passing through the southern-most point of the long, narrow island on the west side of the lake (sometimes called Tucker's Island) and the southern-most point of the long, narrow peninsula on the east side of the lake (sometimes called Bear Pit Point) shall be limited to a maximum speed of 5 miles per hour at all times.¹⁰
- [c. For the remainder of the lake, no power boat shall be operated at a speed in excess of 5 m.p.h. within 200 feet of any shore or island.]⁷
- d. In the areas where power boat speeds are permitted in excess of 5 m.p.h. only one boat will be permitted to conduct waterskiing at any time and the operating of any power boat in excess of 5 m.p.h. will be in such a manner as to not interfere with or create a hazard to a water-skier, other watercraft, or other persons.
- e. Any power boat launched at the public Fish and Game access is to be utilized solely for the purpose of fishing on Woodward Reservoir and shall be limited to a speed of 5 m.p.h. regardless of when or where operated on Woodward Reservoir. A clearly visible and legible sign will be posted by the Agency of Environmental Conservation at the Fish and Game access area stating this rule and any other pertinent restrictions or regulations on the operation of such watercraft which apply.
- [f. No houseboats or boats with living facilities are permitted on Woodward Reservoir at any time.]³
- g. Any person possessing shoreland on the waters of Woodward Reservoir south of the line established in Rule b may establish an area of water for swimming. Any such established swimming area shall be marked by the property owner with buoys placed not more than 75 feet apart and shall not extend more than 150 feet out from the shoreline nor more than 300 feet along the

shoreline. When not otherwise prohibited by law, the conduct of any nude swimming, or the nude operation of or riding in, on or about any watercraft or similar device, shall be permitted only within the limits of such marked swimming area.

- [h. No person shall operate a motorboat in a manner which produces turbidity in violation of the applicable Regulations Governing Water Classification and Control of Quality.]²
- i. These rules supplement and are in no way intended to modify other applicable laws and regulations.
- j. To the extent they have authority to do so, the selectmen of the Town of Plymouth may amplify or make ordinances to enforce these rules, in a manner consistent with them, as the public interest of all the citizens of the State warrants.
- k. The Vermont Water Resources Board retains continuing jurisdiction over the subject matter of these rules and may modify them, pursuant to statute, as it should determine the need to.]⁶

Effective September 28, 1972

47. Wrightsville Reservoir, Towns of East Montpelier and Middlesex and City of Montpelier UPW-84-01

- a. The operation of vessels powered by a motor at speeds exceeding two (2) miles per hour or in such a manner as to cause a disturbing wake is prohibited northerly of the narrows which is immediately to the north of the "Roadside Park Boat Launch Ramp."
- [b. Vessels operated by agencies of the State of Vermont shall comply with Rule a at all times except in cases where law enforcement, emergencies, or the performance of official duties requires otherwise.]¹

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FOOTNOTES:

In general the proposed amendments to existing rules outlined in this appendix are intended to delete unnecessary or obsolete requirements and to establish more uniform and therefore more enforceable rules without diminishing the level of protection afforded established uses. In addition the rules pertaining to Lake St. Catherine are proposed to amended in response to a petition by the Lake St. Catherine Association. If there is any question or objection to the proposed amendments, please contact the Water Resources Board, c/o William Bartlett, at 828-2871.

1. This rule is proposed to be repealed to allow adoption of a uniform rule on this subject proposed as part of the Use of Public Waters Policy Rules (see § 3.1(c)).
2. This rule is proposed to be repealed as unnecessary become it is redundant with existing state law protecting water quality (10 V.S.A. Chapter 47).
3. This rule is proposed to be repealed because as worded it is ambiguous and its purpose, to prohibit the residential use of vessels, is now addressed by Vermont statute (23 V.S.A. § 3311(g)) which provides in part that "the use of vessels for residential purposes is prohibited on all lakes and ponds which are located wholly within Vermont and on which there are not boat sanitary waste pumpout facilities approved by the Department of Environmental Conservation."
4. This rule is proposed to be repealed because it has been superseded by a subsequent amendments to the Vermont boating law (23 V.S.A. § 3311(c)) that limit vessels powered by motor to 5 m.p.h. within 200 feet of the shoreline, a person in the water, a canoe, rowboat or other vessels.
5. As a matter of practice, the ANR (formerly the AEC) provides this service. However, requiring such cooperative action by rule is considered unnecessary and inappropriate.
6. This rule is either redundant with, or inconsistent with, the enabling statute 10 V.S.A. § 1424 and is therefore proposed to be repealed.
7. This rule is proposed to be repealed because it is redundant with Vermont boating safety operating laws, 29 V.S.A. Chapter 23.
8. This rule is proposed to be repealed or amended in order to allow adoption of a uniform rule on this subject. The new rule is proposed for adoption as part of the Use of Public Waters Policy Rules (see § 3.2).

9. This rule is proposed to be repealed or amended in order to allow adoption of a uniform rule on this subject. The new rule is proposed for adoption as part of the Use of Public Waters Policy Rules (see § 3.5).
10. This rule is proposed to be amended to conform with similar rules adopted for other bodies of water in order to have a uniform rule on this subject.
11. This rule is proposed to be repealed because the Board believes the underlying issue is vessel speed not motor size (see § 3.2 and § 2.9). If there are other reasons for retaining this rule in its current form, the Board would welcome comment in that regard.
12. This rule is proposed to be repealed because since the maximum speed limit is five m.p.h. waterskiing is de factor prohibited.
13. Rules requested by petition from the Lake St. Catherine Association.