

MINNESOTA PERSONAL WATERCRAFT LAWS

You Must...

- Wear a USCG-approved life jacket. Comply with label.
- Travel at slow no-wake speed (5 mph or less) within 150 feet of: nonmotorized boats; shore (unless launching or landing skiers directly to or from open water); docks; swim rafts; swimmers; or any moored or anchored boat.
- Operate only from 9:30 a.m. to one hour before sunset.
- Use the cutoff lanyard properly.
- Obey operator age and permit laws for those younger than 18 years old.

You Must Not...

- Chase or harass wildlife.
- Jump the wake of another boat within 150 feet of the craft.
- Operate a personal watercraft in a manner that endangers life, limb or property.

Protect Your Sport

Respect your neighbors. Don't operate for long periods in the same area or near occupied boats or shore.

This is only a summary of the laws as of June 2018 and is required to be visible to the operator on all personal watercraft in Minnesota.

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