



# BOATING GUIDELINES

## GENERAL WATERCRAFT SAFE OPERATING GUIDELINES

- **All operators must be aware of and obey** all North Carolina boating regulations.
- **Stay at least 200ft. away** from shorelines, docks, or other structures and adhere to all No Wake zones.
- **Passengers must sit in designated seating areas only.** Never sit on a bow while the engine is running. This can lead to severe injury or death.
- **Life vests** must be available for every passenger and must be worn by all passengers under 13 years old.
- **Vessels towing skiers or other towables** should always have an observer and remain at least 100ft. away from other vessels.
- **Operators born after 1988** must have an NC Boater Safety Certificate to operate a watercraft with a 10hp+motor.

## RULES OF THE ROAD

Safe navigation is very much a matter of boating courtesy and observing the **Golden Rule of marine traffic**. Certain navigational *rules of the road* must be understood and adhered to by everyone using public waterways.



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**MOVE TO THE RIGHT!** When two (2) vessels approach each other from opposite directions, each must alter course to the right to avoid collision.



## WAKE RESPONSIBLY



## NC WILDLIFE GUIDELINES FOR WAKE BOAT RESPONSIBILITY

- **No Wake zones extend 100ft from any dock**, anchored or moored vessel, swim float, marked swimming area, swimmers, persons engaged in angling, or any manually operated propelled vessels.
- **Stay at least 200ft away from the shoreline**, docks, or other physical structures around the lake.
- **Keep music at reasonable levels.** Sound travels well over water. If it is loud enough to hear at 80ft behind your vessel, it is likely loud enough for homeowners and others to hear.
- **Minimize repetitive passes** on any one portion of the lake or shoreline. Once you've run the same line for awhile, move on to another area.
- **Completely empty ballasts before launching.** The ballasts of wake boats fill with water and transfer of aquatic nuisance species could be an issue.

## SEE IT? REPORT IT!

If you witness reckless or dangerous boating activity, note the boat description, registration number, and/or take a picture as soon as possible, and report it immediately to NC Wildlife at 800-662-7137.

## FRIENDS OF LAKE GLENVILLE

Founded in 1985, Friends of Lake Glenville is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization. Our members are impassioned advocates who volunteer their time, skills, energy, and support to ensure the continued beauty, integrity, safety, and survival of Lake Glenville.

Our efforts focus specifically on water quality, lake ecology, lake clean-up, and boating safety. Our work helps protect the investment of those who live on or near the lake and ensures it remains a source of recreation and beauty for the community and the thousands of visitors that enjoy the lake every year.

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