

**CITY OF SAMMAMISH
WASHINGTON
ORDINANCE NO. O2014-369**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAMMAMISH,
WASHINGTON, AMENDING SMC 12.05.010 RELATING
TO BOATING REGULATIONS**

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of Sammamish to update Section 12.05.010 of the Sammamish Municipal Code (“SMC”) relating to boating regulations; and

WHEREAS, by means of City of Sammamish Ordinance No. O99-31, the Sammamish City Council adopted various sections of King County Code Chapter 12.44, Boating Regulations, to be the boating regulations for the City; and

WHEREAS, by means of City of Sammamish Ordinance No. O2003-124, the Sammamish City Council adopted various additional sections of King County Code Chapter 12.44, Boating Regulations, and added a restriction on the use of internal combustion engines on Pine Lake beginning January 1, 2004; and

WHEREAS, in the interests of safe navigation, life safety and the protection of property, it is necessary to adopt specific regulations to promote the safe interaction between boaters and swimmers at the recently opened Sammamish Landing Park on the eastern shore of Lake Sammamish;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAMMAMISH, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. SMC 12.05.010 (Boating regulations), Amended. Sammamish Municipal Code Section 12.05.010 (Boating regulations) is hereby amended to read as follows:

12.05.010 Boating regulations.

(1) The following sections of the King County Code, including all future amendments thereto, are hereby adopted by reference, except as otherwise provided herein:

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12.44.020 Definitions.

12.44.030 Interpretation and application of regulations.

12.44.035 Operation of personal watercraft.

12.44.040 Negligent operation.

12.44.050 Reckless operation.

12.44.060 Required distance from power craft to swimmers and row boats.

- 12.44.070 Speed limit specified – Lakes – Exception.
- 12.44.090 Speed regulations within one hundred yards of shore on Lake Washington and Lake Sammamish.
- 12.44.100 Interference with navigation.
- 12.44.110 Sunken vessels.
- 12.44.120 Floating objects.
- 12.44.130 Intoxication.
- 12.44.140 Incapacity of operator.
- 12.44.150 Accidents.
- 12.44.160 Accident reports.
- 12.44.170 Accident reports confidential, inadmissible as evidence.
- 12.44.180 Overloading.
- 12.44.190 Testing courses.
- 12.44.200 Restricted areas.
- 12.44.210 Swimming.
- 12.44.220 Skin diving.
- 12.44.230 Water skiing.
- 12.44.240 Beaver Lake restrictions.
- 12.44.350 Whistles and lights.
- 12.44.360 Equipment and numbering.
- 12.44.370 Life preservers and running lights.
- 12.44.380 Races and testing.
- 12.44.390 Aircraft on the water.
- 12.44.400 Rules of the road.
- 12.44.410 Propellers.
- 12.44.420 Unsafe piers.
- 12.44.430 Safety devices.
- 12.44.440 Pier barriers.
- 12.44.450 Roadway barriers.
- 12.44.460 Drifting debris.
- 12.44.470 Oil.
- 12.44.480 Nuisances.
- 12.44.490 Public health.
- 12.44.500 Boat rental records.
- 12.44.510 Liability for damages.
- 12.44.520 Exemption to authorized emergency vessels and watercraft.
- 12.44.530 Aiding and abetting violations.
- 12.44.540 Directing traffic, emergency powers.
- 12.44.560 Appeal of denial for license, permit or authority.
- 12.44.570 Penalty.
- 12.44.580 Preservation of actions.
- 12.44.590 Severability.
- 12.44.710 Authority of officers to board boats.
- 12.44.720 Interlocal cooperation.
- 12.44.730 Enforcement.

(2) Beginning January 1, 2004, it shall be unlawful to use or operate any internal combustion engine on Pine Lake; provided, that nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prevent any public official or construction company from performing authorized duties.

(3) King County Code Section 12.44.060, making it unlawful for any motor powered watercraft to be operated while the propeller is engaged within fifty (50) feet of any swimmer with or without a floatation device or within fifty feet (50) of any non-motorized watercrafts, including but not limited to kayaks, canoes, paddle boats or row boats, shall apply to Lake Sammamish and all other lakes within the City of Sammamish, except as otherwise allowed for water-skiing; this section shall not apply to patrol or rescue watercraft or in the case of an emergency.

(4) It is unlawful to use or operate any engine in the waters of the City unless the engine is operated with and connected to a muffler or silencer of sufficient size and capacity to effectually muffle and prevent excessive or unusual noise from the exhaust of the engine.

Section 2. Severability. Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance, or its application to any person or circumstance, be declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid for any reason, or should any portion of this Ordinance be pre-empted by state or federal law or regulation, such decision or pre-emption shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance or its application to other persons or circumstances.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be published in the official newspaper of the City, and shall take effect and be in full force five (5) days after the date of publication.

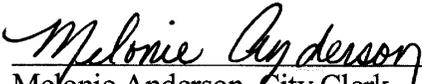
ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT A REGULAR MEETING THEREOF ON THE 6th DAY OF MAY 2014.

CITY OF SAMMAMISH



Mayor Thomas E. Vance

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:



Melonie Anderson, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

for: 
Michael R. Kenyon, City Attorney

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