

CEDAR LAKE OWNERS ASSOCIATION (CLOA) BOATING RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All powerboats and non-powered watercraft operated on Cedar Lake must: a) be registered with CLOA and display a current CLOA identification sticker; b) be owned by the CLOA member; c) have the required liability insurance coverage; and d) display a current state registration (powerboats).

Powerboats and non-powered watercraft not meeting these conditions are not permitted on Cedar Lake unless pre-approved by the Board of Directors. (This would apply to environmental contractors' boats, public safety rescue craft, fireworks watercraft or other unique situations.)

2. CLOA identification stickers must be placed on the right-hand side of boats at the rear. All boats (powerboats, canoes, rowboats, sailboats, sailboards, pontoon boats and paddleboats) are required to visibly display CLOA stickers.
3. All boat traffic shall operate in a counter clockwise direction.
4. Strict enforcement of "no wake" and marked speed limit areas shall be maintained.
5. All boats operating after dark shall maintain a 6-mile per hour or less speed limit.
6. Fire extinguishers are required on all boats with gas motors.
7. The operation of jet-skis on the waters of Cedar Lake is prohibited.
8. All swimmers must be within 75 ft. of shore unless accompanied by a boat. This also applies to swimmers using any type of floatation device (tubes, rubber rafts, etc).
9. All powerboats and other watercraft must be operated in a safe manner and in accordance with all CLOA Rules and Regulations and State of Connecticut Boating Regulations (some listed below).
10. There must be a wearable life jacket on board for each person aboard every vessel. All vessels 16' and over (except kayaks and canoes) must also have a "throwable" personal flotation device readily available, in addition to the required number of wearable life jackets (state law).
11. Each child under 13 years of age must wear a life jacket while the boat is underway. All persons in a manually propelled vessel must wear a life jacket between October 1st through May 31st (state law).
12. Life jackets must be worn by anyone being towed behind a boat under power, such as water skiers, tubers, wakeboarders, etc. (special rules apply to barefoot or trick skiers) (state law).
13. Boat operators must have a responsible observer in the boat when towing water skiers, tubers, wakeboarders, etc.; observers must be at least 12 years of age and facing the person(s) being towed at all times (state law).
14. No water skiing, tubing or wakeboarding is allowed from 1/2 hour after sunset to sunrise (state law).
15. All boats (powered and non-powered) must display their required navigation lights at all times between sunset and sunrise (state law). High speed operation of powerboats (over 6 mph) at night is strictly prohibited
16. Any person operating a boat with a motor must have their Safe Boating Certificate or Certificate of Personal Watercraft Operation on board at all times (state law).
17. Wake or Wakeboard Boats that are specifically designed for wakeboarding, which employ mechanical systems that redirect water flow in order for the boat to create a large, shaped wave for wakeboarding or wake-surfing or other related activities are prohibited from use on Cedar Lake. Boats using ballast systems for wakeboarding are allowed, but comply with the wakeboarding regulation stated below.
18. All wakeboarding / wake surfing activities must not occur within 200 feet of shore. Additionally, wakeboarding / wake surfing is limited to the main body of the lake, preferably in the middle of the lake, staying at least 100 feet away from other boaters and non-powered watercraft.