Charter Township of Orion

Ordinance No. 15

Watercraft - Lake Orion

Adopted October 12, 1965

AMENDED
August 15, 1994
AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE USE OF THE WATERS OF LAKE ORION IN ORION TOWNSHIP.

Section 1

On the waters of Lake Orion, Orion Township, Oakland County, State of Michigan, persons operating vessels shall, in addition to the restrictions set forth in Section 18 of Act 245, Public Acts of 1959, as amended, maintain a distance of one hundred (100) feet from the shoreline, except when proceeding at a speed of 5 miles per hour or less and except when engaged in picking up or dropping off water skiers, so long as such operation is otherwise conducted with due regard to the safety of persons and property and in a line perpendicular to the shoreline insofar as it is reasonably possible, and in accordance with the laws of this state.

Section 2

On the waters of Lake Orion, Orion Township, Oakland County, State of Michigan, persons navigating, steering or controlling themselves while being towed on water skis, water sleds, surf boards or similar contrivances shall maintain a distance of one hundred (100) feet from the shoreline, rafts, buoyed or occupied bathing areas or vessels moored, or at anchor, except when being picked up or dropped off, so long as such operation is otherwise conducted with due regard to the safety of persons and property and in a line perpendicular to the shoreline insofar as it is reasonably possible, and in accordance with the laws of this State.

Section 3

No person shall dispose of any refuse, garbage, bottles, cans, paper or debris upon or into the waters of Lake Orion, Orion Township, Oakland County, Michigan.

Section 4

No person shall swim in the waters of Lake Orion, Orion Township, Oakland County, Michigan, more than one hundred (100) feet from the shoreline of said lake unless accompanied by a vessel and operator.

Section 5

If any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, said invalidity shall not affect the remaining portions of the ordinance and same shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 6

All provisions of former ordinances inconsistent with the terms hereof are hereby repealed.

Section 7 (amended 08.15.94)

Any person violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof, be subject to a fine not exceeding the sum of Five Hundred Dollars ($500) and/or imprisonment in the Oakland County Jail for a period not exceeding ninety (90) days plus the cost of prosecution.

Section 8 - Effective Date

This Ordinance shall become effective upon publication, as provided by law.