Charter Township of Orion

Ordinance No. 50

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AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE THE SPEED OF VESSELS AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE SAFE USE OF THE WATERS IN ORION TOWNSHIP, OAKLAND COUNTY; ENACTED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF ACT 303, PUBLIC ACTS OF 1967, AS AMENDED (M.S.A. 18.1287[17]), BEING IDENTICAL TO STATE ADMINISTRATIVE RULES FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

Section I

All words and phrases used in this Ordinance shall be construed and have the same meanings as those words and phrases defined in Act 303, PA 1967, as amended, M.S.A. 18.1287(8).

Section II

Regulation No. 63 Oakland County.
R 281.763.9. Lake Orion; prohibited conduct.

Rule 9.

(1) On the waters of Lake Orion and the canals and channels connected thereto, Sections 2, 3, 10, and 11, T4N, R10E, Village of Lake Orion and Orion Township, Oakland County, it is unlawful for the operator of a vessel to exceed a slow-no wake speed when within one hundred (100) feet of any shore, dock, raft, buoyed or occupied bathing area, or vessel moored or at anchor, except when water skiers are being picked up or dropped off if that operation is otherwise conducted with due regard to the safety of persons and property and in accordance with the laws of this state.

(2) On the waters of Lake Orion and the canals and channels connected thereto, Sections 2, 3, 10, and 11, T4N, R10E, Village of Lake Orion and Orion Township, Oakland County, it is unlawful, during the period of one (1) hour after sunset to one (1) hour before sunrise, to:

   (a) Operate a vessel at high speed.

   (b) Have in tow, or otherwise assist in the propulsion of, a person on water skis, a water sled, kite, surfboard, or other similar contrivance.

(3) On the waters of Lake Orion and canals and channels connected thereto, Sections 2, 3, 10, and 11, T4N, R10E, Village of Lake Orion and Orion Township, Oakland County, it is unlawful at any time to operate a vessel at a speed in excess of 40 miles per hour (64 kilometers per hour).

Section III

All other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section IV

Violations of this Ordinance are a misdemeanor and may be punished by a fine not to exceed One Hundred Dollars ($100) together with costs of prosecution or imprisonment in the County Jail or such other place of detention as the court may prescribe, for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days, or said fine, costs of prosecution, and imprisonment, at the discretion of the court.

Section V

This Ordinance and the various parts, sections, subsections, provisions, sentences and clauses are severable. If any part of this Ordinance is found to be unconstitutional or invalid, it is declared the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected hereby.

Section VI - Effective Date

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