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## **PMLA BOATING AND LAKE RULES**

For your safety, California Boating Laws prevail. For your convenience, copies of the pamphlet "ABC's of California Boating Laws", published by the California Harbors and Watercraft are available at the Marina Store.

Listed below are further regulations that apply to Pine Mountain Lake boating usage. Failure to comply with them shall be grounds for termination of your privileges. Violations are subject to citation. All boats are subject to inspection to determine compliance with State Law and Association requirements. If you have any questions on the safety requirements of your boat, contact a Boat Patrol Officer or the Marina Store staff.

### GENERAL BOATING RULES

Know our rules and abide by them for your enjoyment and safety.

All boats on Pine Mountain Lake must meet both State of California and Pine Mountain Lake registration requirements. Only property owners in good standing may register their boats.

**REGISTRATION:** Requirements for registration include: current liability insurance with a minimum of \$300,000, proof of PML residency, proof that the boat meets California Boating Law safety requirements, compliance with PML non-wake enhancing requirements, and agreement to abide by lake rules.

PML non-wake enhancing regulations restrict the use of internal ballast tanks, external fins, foils, panels, or boat hulls specifically designed to increase wakes. Any boats incorporating these devices, registered at PML must adhere to PML's restrictions on not utilizing these devices.

All boats are limited to 5 mph except during water skiing hours, where the speed limit is 40 mph in the ski area only. All boats, except those signed up for skiing, must stay out of the ski area while skiing is in progress. Skiing or other high-speed boating activity is permitted during designated hours from May 1 thru October 31 only.

Open stack boats and others with a decibel level exceeding 82 db are prohibited. Likewise, radios or stereos may not be played at high volume.

Note that areas marked "no wake" mean no wake. These areas are marked with white buoys that say "No Wake". Boats may have to go slower than 5 mph in order not to create any wake.

NO "Jet Skis", "Wave runners" or other similar variations of personal watercraft are allowed on Pine Mountain Lake (except authorized emergency or law enforcement equipment).

Only skippers (16 years and older with a valid driver's license) designated by a boat owner may operate a powerboat, provided that they know the lake and marina rules. Boat owners are responsible for informing their operators of all lake and marina rules.

Boat owners are responsible for the operation of their boats and the wakes they create regardless of who may be operating the boat.

Reckless operation and disregard for others may result in citation and forfeiture of lake boating privileges.

Boaters must stay inside the passenger/operator areas of the boat. Riding outside of the railing or gate is prohibited.

Powerboat operators may not tow or pull rafts, tubes, wakeboards, knee boards, paddleboats, kayaks, canoes or similar craft.

In case of an accident, give any necessary assistance, then immediately contact the Boat Patrol (based at the Marina).

Sufficient life preservers must be aboard for each passenger. All boaters less than 12 years of age and non-swimmers must wear properly tied life jackets.

Give a wide berth to sail and manually operated boats, as they have the right of way.

Powerboats may not be operated within 50 feet of a swimming area.

When meeting another boat, keep to the right.

Individuals wishing to blow out their motors may do so during high-speed boating hours and must first check-in with the Boat Patrol. Blow-outs will be limited to two (2) times around the ski pattern and must adhere to all high-speed boating rules. A maximum of 4 boats are allowed in the high-speed lane with skiers given priority over boats wishing to blow out their motor. No engine blowouts will be allowed between 6:00 PM and 8:00 PM.

Every effort shall be made to **minimize wakes**, especially those affecting shoreline properties.

All lake activity is suspended when CDF helicopters perform firefighting procedures or during other emergencies that require use of lake water.

The Boat Patrol will be in effect daily. Citations may be given for PML rule infractions. Two citations will constitute action for removing your boat from Pine Mountain Lake for the remainder of the season. Any boating or swimming rule may be changed in an emergency based on input from PML management, Safety Dept., Sheriff's Dept. or other appropriate agency.

#### BOAT LAUNCHING & REMOVAL

NO BOAT MAY BE LAUNCHED without current Pine Mountain Lake registration.

BOAT LAUNCHING AND REMOVAL is allowed only at the Marina boat ramp.

ALL BOATS NOT REMOVED from Dunn Court and the Marina area by October 31<sup>st</sup> of each year will be removed and stored AT THE OWNER'S EXPENSE.

NO TRAILER PARKING permitted, except for daily use, and only in designated areas. No trailer parking will be permitted the date of the Independence Day fireworks celebration.

DUNN COURT SAILBOAT OWNERS: Please relocate your sailboat the day before the annual fireworks display. This date may vary from year to year.

#### WATER SKIING RULES

Homeowners wishing to register a ski boat for the first time on PML will be given a tour of the lake and have these regulations and the Good Neighbor Rules explained. This tour will be conducted monthly by the PML Boat Patrol and must be completed before the homeowner may sign up for ski times at PML. Copies of the Lake and Boating Rules and the Good Neighbor Rules will be available at the Marina. Wakeboarding and kneeboarding are not permitted. Marina staff are the final authority on other activities that are not permitted.

Skiing will be on a one-hour session, reservation basis. High-speed boating hours are generally as follows:

<u>DAY</u>	<u>MORNING HOURS</u>	<u>EVENING HOURS</u>
Monday	9:00-12:00 noon	5:00-8:00 p.m. Water Skiing
Tuesday	9:00-12:00 noon	5:00-8:00 p.m. Water Skiing
Wednesday	9:00-12:00 noon	5:00-8:00 p.m. Slow Boating
Thursday	9:00-12:00 noon	5:00-8:00 p.m. Water Skiing
Friday	9:00-12:00 noon	5:00-8:00 p.m. Water Skiing
Saturday	9:00-12:00 noon	5:00-8:00 p.m. Water Skiing
Sunday	9:00-12:00 noon	5:00-8:00 p.m. Water Skiing

State law prohibits the towing of water skiers from sunset to sunrise.

Water skiing is prohibited November 1 through April 30. The speed limit for all boats during this time is 5 mph.

Reservations for skiing will be taken at the Marina Store (962-8631). You may call or walk-in (walk-ins have first priority). Reservations will be taken starting one hour prior to the morning ski time, one day in advance of skiing. Reservations will be limited to one (1) hour, morning or afternoon, 1 day prior to skiing. Those wishing to ski in both the morning and afternoon may reserve a second hour the day of skiing starting one (1) hour prior to the morning ski time. When time slots become full, a stand-by list will be taken. Skiing time will be limited to one (1) hour per reservation initially, and modified by the Lake Patrol and Marina Manager depending on demand.

All users of the fast boat lane must check-in with the Boat Patrol prior to commencing their activity. The Boat Patrol will wait 10 minutes for a user with a reservation. After that, the time slot will be opened to the next fast boat user requesting time. If there are no reservations or ad hoc fast boat users in line, the fast boat lane will be closed to fast boat activities for the rest of the hour.

A ski-flag or light system is located at the Marina Point. The flag or light indicates whether high-speed boating activity is or is not occurring. The ski flag will be dynamically raised and lowered based on whether the fast boat lane is open or

closed on an hour-by-hour basis during reservation hours. Boaters can also call the Marina Store for ski-flag or light status.

A maximum of four (4) boats will be allowed to ski at any one time. A distance of 100 feet shall be maintained between boats.

A counter-clockwise ski pattern shall be maintained.

To minimize shoreline wakes on the North shore, high-speed boaters shall stay as close as possible to the main beach buoys when traveling from the dam toward Big Creek. When traveling Big Creek toward the dam, high-speed boaters should stay as close as possible to the center of the ski pattern as safety permits. Always pass an approaching powerboat on the right.

All boats being used on PML waters must be operated in a manner to minimize the size of the wake produced by the boat. With the exception of pontoon boats and those boats traveling less than 5 mph, all powerboat operators shall operate at planning speeds as soon as practical when in the ski pattern.

**Wake Enhancement:** The use of devices, equipment, or placement of passengers on boats for the purpose of creating an enlarged wake is prohibited. Further, no such devices or equipment may be used on any boat in PML. Such devices and equipment include, but are not limited to; exterior panels or wings deployed underwater; rubberized, plastic or metal tanks or bags filled with any material; crowding of passengers to the rear; inside-the-hull water tanks or boat hulls designed specifically to enhance the wake. Additionally, the operator of an outboard or I/O drive boat must keep the out-drive down to optimally trim the boat to minimize the size of the boat's wake at all times.

Any boat that produces excessive wakes may be cited. Two citations result in eviction from the lake for the remainder of the calendar year. Staging area for skiers is the White SKI BUOY outside the Marina. No other area! There is a voluntary drop area outside the 5 mph buoys at Fisherman's Cove. See Marina Store and Good Neighbor Rules for details.

Ski course is marked with red buoys. Stay inside of the red buoys. These buoys are not a SLALOM COURSE.

Ski boats must have a red or orange flag and an observer at least 12 years of age.

Ski boats returning to a fallen skier must make a starboard (right) turn to return to the skier while raising the red or orange warning flag. The boat operator shall make the 'turn-around' at a slow speed to minimize the wake. Obviously, safety is a concern, but anything a boat operator can do to minimize wake size is required.

The driver of any boat approaching a boat displaying a red or orange flag must acknowledge the downed skier's presence by raising their hand for the skier's towboat to see and take appropriate evasive action to ensure the safety of the downed skier.

Skier must raise one (1) ski when in water with slack towline to warn other boats in the area.

All skiers must wear proper Coast Guard approved life preservers.

Number of water skiers per boat: 2 maximum at a time. When one skier drops, the second skier must drop immediately.

Use of wakeboards, kneeboards, discs, inner tubes, surfboards, water toys and non-approved devices are prohibited. Water skis are the only devices permitted to be used in the high-speed boating lane. The Boat Patrol and Marina Staff have the final authority to decide what is a water ski and what is a non-approved device.

An area for beginning water ski instruction is available. Contact the Boat Patrol Officer or Marina Manager for details.

Water skiing may be limited on certain days such as, but not limited to holidays, fishing derbies and sailing regatta days.

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### FISHING RULES

A California State Fishing License is required and is to be displayed at all times while fishing. Fish limits are governed by California Fish & Game laws. NO LIVE BAIT is permitted other than worms.

Fishing off water taxi docks during water taxi operating hours is prohibited. Trespassing on private property is not allowed.

No fishing within 25 feet of designated swim areas.

### SAILING RULES

*Sailing Hours: Anytime*

SAILBOAT LAUNCHING is allowed only at the Marina boat ramp.

Sailboats and all others must stay out of the skiing area during skiing hours.

The high-speed boating lane is outlined with red buoys. Stay out of this area while high-speed boating is in progress. Be aware of high-speed boating hours for your own protection. Avoid the east end of the lake (Lake Lodge and Big Creek entrance) during high-speed boating hours.

Sailing of rental boats in Big Creek is not allowed.

No windsurf boards without a sail are allowed on the lake.

### PARKING, BEACH & SWIMMING RULES

SWIM AT YOUR OWN RISK. NO LIFEGUARDS ARE ON DUTY.

Follow all posted beach and marina rules and regulations. Note: The beaches and lawns are designated non-smoking areas.

Swimming is only allowed within the designated swim areas.

No float tubes, surfboards, "noodles", lounge rafts, etc., are allowed on the lake other than within 30 feet from your own private dock. (Tubes, noodles and "soft" float toys are allowed in the swim areas.)

Inflatable boats, canoes and kayaks that are used on Pine Mountain Lake must be registered in the same manner as hard-bottom boats.

Do not venture more than 30 feet from your own private dock. DO NOT swim across or in the open lake area.

No glass containers, loud music, hardballs, profane language are allowed on any Pine Mountain Lake beach area. Drinking of alcoholic beverages by anyone under the age of 21 is not allowed on any Pine Mountain Lake beach area.

Bicycles and skateboards must be walked through all amenity-parking areas. No riding is permitted.

Dogs are prohibited from the entire PML Marina, Dunn Court, and Lake Lodge amenities; except authorized PML utility dogs in the performance of their duties or service animals assisting the blind or deaf. Dogs should not be left in cars parked in these areas.

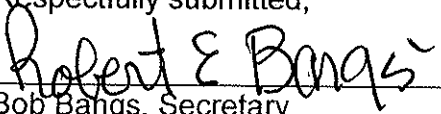
If the marina parking lot is full, please park at Dunn court, the Lake Lodge, or Fisherman's Cove and ride the water taxi to the Marina. Water taxi operating schedule is available upon request.

FAILURE TO COMPLY MAY RESULT IN FINES OR LOSS OF LAKE PRIVILEGES.

Additional rules and regulations may apply. Rules are subject to change without notice.

ONLY property owners and PMLA employees on duty will be allowed to park at the Marina parking area on weekends and holidays from Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day Weekend. Property owners will be required to provide a valid parking sticker or hanging tag.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Bob Bangs, Secretary

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