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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" published by the California Division of Boating and Waterways, 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.

Additional rules and regulations may apply.

KNOW OUR RULES AND ABIDE BY THEM FOR YOUR ENJOYMENT AND SAFETY.

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

GENERAL BOATING RULES

PML Members in good standing may register their boats. EVERY watercraft (including power boats, canoes, stand-up paddle boards and kayaks) must be registered and have a current year decal before it will be allowed on the lake. If a boat does not have a current decal, it must be removed from the water.

REGISTRATION: Requirements for registration include current personal liability insurance with a minimum of \$300,000, proof of PML Membership, and proof that the boat meets California Boating Law safety requirements, current DMV registration (if required) and agreement to abide by lake rules.

Eligible Boats & Devices

Kayaks and Stand-Up Paddle Boards (SUPs) are approved watercraft for use on Pine Mountain Lake. Registration fees will be the same as for other non-motorized watercraft.

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.

Ineligible Boats & Devices

Prohibited completely from the Lake are jet-skis, wave runners, surfboards, motor surfers, and water/wake board skiers.

Wake Enhancement: The use of devices, equipment, or placement of passengers in 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.

Use of wakeboards, kneeboards, discs, inner tubes, surfboards, water toys, and non-approved devices are prohibited.

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 as well as if used within 20 feet of your boat when tied to a mooring buoy.)

Power boats larger than 26' will not be allowed on Pine Mountain Lake, and patio boats shall not exceed the length of 29'. (Resolution 98.07)

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

BOAT LAUNCHING & REMOVAL

NO WATER CRAFT MAY BE LAUNCHED without current Pine Mountain Lake registration.

Motorized boat launching and removal is allowed only at the Marina boat ramp. Sailboats may launch at the Marina.

Sailboats may also launch and remove at Dunn Court by reservation.

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

NO TRAILER PARKING permitted on or Between Memorial Day and Labor Day at the Marina, Dunn Court or Lake Lodge.

Operators, Operating, Safety

Only skippers (with a valid driver's license) designated by a boat owner may operate a powerboat, provided that they know the PMLA Boating & Lake rules.

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

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

Sitting on the front of a pontoon boat, dangling your feet above or in the water is dangerous and is expressly prohibited.

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

Under State law, it is an infraction, punishable by a fine of up to \$250, to operate a vessel of any length, unless every child under 13 years of age on board is wearing a Coast Guard approved life jacket. It is recommended that all children and non-swimmers while underway, on docks or boats moored to docks, wear a Coast Guard-approved life jacket.

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

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

Safety, Violations

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

Any boat that produces excessive wakes may be cited. Two citations result in eviction from the lake for the remainder of the calendar year.

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

The Boat Patrol will be in effect daily. Citations may be given for PML rule infractions. Two citations will constitute action for removing all boats registered to the member 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.

Wakes, Speed, Buoys

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

No wake 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.

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.

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

When the slalom course is in use, all boaters (including those with pontoon boats) should operate their boats so as not to create ANY wakes. Wakes ruin the slalom skiing experience and can be dangerous for skiers in the course.

FISHING RULES

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

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

No fishing within 25 feet of designated swim areas.

SAILING RULES

Sailing Hours: ANYTIME

DUNN COURT SAILBOAT OWNERS: **must** relocate their sailboat prior to 9:00 A.M. the day of the annual fireworks display. This date may vary from year to year.

The high-speed boating lane is outlined with ORANGE-STRIPED buoys. Stay out of this area while high-speed boating is in progress. Be aware of high-speed boating hours for your own protection. Sailing of rental boats in Big Creek is not allowed.

PARKING, BEACH, SWIMMING, DOGS Etc.

Swimming is at your own risk. There is NO LIFEGUARD ON DUTY.

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

The swimming areas are designated for swimming only. No paddles are allowed in the swimming areas, for example, no stand-up paddle boards, kayaks, motorized floats etc.

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

FOR THE ENTIRE PML MARINA, DUNN COURT AND LAKE LODGE AMENITIES:

- Children under the age of 14 years must be accompanied by an adult.
- No pets, dogs, cats, etc. are allowed at the beach. 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 and ADA service animals assisting their owners. These dogs must be leashed and under control at all times and may not wander.
- Dogs should not be left in cars parked in these areas.
- No littering, glass containers, illegal drug use, loud music, profane language, obscene behavior, or nudity on the beaches at any time.
- Use of bats and balls, Frisbees and other uncontrollable or hard to control objects, and other dangerous or potentially dangerous activities shall be prohibited in the Pine Mountain Lake Association beach areas. (The use of beach balls, volley balls, and the playing of catch in a controlled and responsible manner shall be excepted from this restriction.)
- Bicycles and skateboards must be walked through all amenity-parking areas. No riding is permitted.
- No recreational activities such as fishing or watercraft is permitted in the swimming area.
- Residential use of beach trash receptacles is strictly prohibited.
- Clean up after yourself and your guests; pick up all of your belongings, towels, chairs, toys, etc.

ONLY property owners with a current PML Property Owner Parking Sticker, and PMLA employees that are on duty will be allowed to park at the Marina parking area on weekends and holidays from May 1 to September 10. This restriction will also be extended to the Friday before holiday weekends (Memorial Day, the Independence Day Observed weekend, and Labor Day weekend) Property owners may be required to provide a valid PML Property Owner Card for identification purposes.

WATER SKIING (& Blow Outs)

Skiing will be on a one-hour session, reservation basis. Reservations can be made no more than 24 hours in advance are on a first come first served basis. You may walk-in or call the store to make a reservation at 209-962-8631.

Water Ski 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 PM Water Skiing
Tuesday	9:00-12:00 noon	5:00-8:00 PM Water Skiing

Wednesday	9:00-12:00 noon	5:00-8:00 PM SLOW Boating
Thursday	9:00-12:00 noon	5:00-8:00 PM Water Skiing
Friday	9:00-12:00 noon	5:00-8:00 PM Water Skiing
Saturday	9:00-12:00 noon	5:00-8:00 PM Water Skiing
Sunday	9:00-12:00 noon	5:00-8:00 PM 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.

All users of the water ski 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 water ski boater requesting time. If there are no reservations or ad hoc boaters in line, the water ski lane will be closed to fast boat activities but can be reopened upon request during normal water ski boating hours.

An orange flag raised on the jetty flag pole indicates that water skiing is occurring. Boaters may call the Marina Store for flag status. No skiing or blowouts are permitted until the Boat Patrol advises the boater that the orange flag has been raised.

A maximum of four (4) boats will be allowed to ski at any one time. A distance of 400 feet shall be maintained between boats.

Individuals wishing to **blow out** their motors may do so during water skiing hours and must first check-in with the Boat Patrol. Blowouts will be limited to two (2) times around the ski pattern and must adhere to all water ski boating rules. A maximum of four boats are allowed in the water ski 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.

A counter-clockwise ski pattern shall be maintained.

Ski course is marked with ORANGE-STRIPED buoys. Stay inside of the ORANGE-STRIPED buoys. These buoys are NOT a SLALOM COURSE.

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.

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 then 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. Boaters are limited to pulling ONE skier at a time.

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

Use of Slalom Ski Course

The use of the slalom course is available from 9:00 A.M. to 10:00 A.M. daily. When requesting a 9:00 A.M. ski time, the first boater requesting time for that hour shall state ski or slalom. Subsequent boaters are then restricted to that which the first boater has selected.

Slalom boaters shall check in with the boat patrol, then begin their runs at the Lake Lodge end of the ski course. A skier may run the slalom course round trip twice, then the next boat may pull a skier in this fashion. ALTERNATIVELY, the skier may ski adjacent to the course. If this is the case, the return trip SHALL be in the same path; in this fashion, the skier has flat water on the return trip, as well as subsequent passes. IMPORTANTLY, subsequent skiers likewise have flat water.

All competition ski boats will be eligible to run the slalom course. Other skiers wishing to run the course may only do so if their boats have a maximum width of 92" at the waterline. Wider boats WILL damage the course, so they SHALL run immediately adjacent to the course.

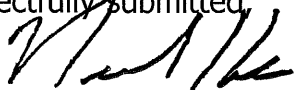
After a skier falls twice, the boat should exit the pattern at a no-wake speed and return to the Lake Lodge area. The next boat in the rotation now gets a turn.

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Additional Lake Related Resolutions can be found as follows:

Dunn Court Beach Sailboat Berths	Resolution 02.02
PML Open Water Swim Area	Resolution 00.06
Fourth of July Fireworks	Resolution 95.03
Private Docks on PML	Resolution 92.06
Small Watercraft Rack Usage	Resolution 19.01
Access Fees/Restricted Parking	Resolution 00.07

Respectfully submitted,



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