

Motorboats (including boats powered by electric motors) must be registered with PA Fish and Boat.

Operators of boats with greater than 25 horsepower born on or after January 1, 1982, may not operate unless they have obtained and have in possession a Boating Safety Education Certificate.

When a motorized watercraft enters the MMC launch ramp area, the attendant will check the property owner's pass for the "boat" sticker, and place a watercraft bracelet on the wrist of only the person(s) who possess the official Boating Safety Certificate/Card(s) verified at the POC.

This bracelet is non-transferable, and must be worn if the person(s) will be launching and/or operating the motorized watercraft from MMC property.

Each person(s) preparing to launch/depart from MMC property must make his/her watercraft bracelet easily visible to the Dock Master before pulling away from the shore, in order to streamline the process at the boat ramp

Any person NOT possessing the watercraft bracelet will not be permitted to launch/depart from MMC property.

Guests or individuals, who possess a Boating Safety Certificate/Card, may show their Boating Safety Certificate/Card, along with photo identification to the Dock Master to obtain a watercraft bracelet. The name(s) of these individuals will be recorded in a log.

The owner of the motorized watercraft must be present when his/her watercraft is being operated by any other individuals; who must also have a Boating Safety Certificate/Card

Westcolang Lake is limited to:

motorboats - a maximum of 18 feet LOA with a maximum of 199 horsepower/inboard, 135HP/outboard

personal watercraft (PWC) – maximum 199 horsepower

sailboats or sailboards with a maximum of 18 feet LOA.

rowboats powered by oars or an electric motor

canoes powered by paddle or sail or trolling electric motor

paddle boats & boards

kayaks

Coast Guard approved inflatables



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**MASTHOPE
MOUNTAIN
COMMUNITY**

**LAKE
AND
BOATING
REGULATIONS**



- ◆ All trailers and all watercraft regardless of size must be registered with the POC each fiscal year. Each property owner will be permitted to register 2 motorized watercraft per property. Each property will be permitted to register up to 4 hand-paddled watercraft.
- ◆ No watercraft may be left overnight at our docking facilities. In the event there is an emergency preventing you from taking your watercraft you must notify Public Safety. (570) 685-5888,
- ◆ All vehicles with boat trailers must park in designated trailer parking only.
- ◆ Children 12 and under must be accompanied and supervised by a parent or responsible adult, at least 16 years old near the boat/dock area.
- ◆ All watercraft must travel in a counter clockwise direction.
- ◆ No glass of any kind is permitted in or around the beach area.
- ◆ Smoking is permitted in designated areas.

Watercraft shall not exceed five miles per hour (no wake) within 100 feet of a beach, pier, dock, float, buoy, anchored boat or swimmers.

**PLEASE OPERATE YOUR
WATERCRAFT IN A SAFE
MANNER**

PWC:

- ◆ All persons regardless of age must have in their possession a Boating Safety Education Certificate.
- ◆ Persons 11 years of age and younger may not operate
- ◆ Persons 12—15 years of age may not operate with any passengers on board that are 15 years old or younger.
- ◆ Each person must wear a Coast Guard approved life jacket at all times.
- ◆ A fully charged fire extinguisher must be on board.
- ◆ A sound producing device must be on board.
- ◆ A kill switch safety lanyard must be attached to clothing or life jacket.
- ◆ No person may operate a PWC between sunset and sunrise.
- ◆ It is prohibited to tow a water skier behind a PWC with a capacity of two people or fewer.
- ◆ It is prohibited to tow more than one person on a tube with a PWC and a spotter is required.

0—25HP

- ◆ No age restrictions
- ◆ Coast Guard approved life jackets must be on board for each person.

GREATER THAN 25HP

- ◆ Persons born on or after 1/1/1982 may not operate unless they have in their possession a Boating Safety Education Certificate.
- ◆ Persons 11 years of age and younger may not operate.
- ◆ Coast Guard approved life jackets must be on board for each person.
- ◆ A sound producing device must be on board.

All children 12 years old and younger are required by state law to wear a Coast Guard approved life jacket on any boat 20 ft. or less in length and on all canoes and kayaks.

To obtain a Boating Safety Education Certificate or to obtain the Pennsylvania Boating Handbook, contact the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission at 1-888-PAFISH or visit them on the web at www.fish.state.pa.us.