

Flowing Lake Boating Regulations

A pamphlet with this information can be attained at the Snohomish County Parks main office, at 6705 Puget Park Drive, Snohomish, WA 98296 call 452-388-6600 for details

WATER-SKIING SEASON & HOURS

- Water-skiing is permitted on Flowing Lake May 25th - September 25
- Hours for waterskiing are from 10:30 am to 8:00 pm

VESSEL SPEED LIMITS AND OPERATION

- Vessel speed limits on Flowing Lake are as follows:
 - 35 mph inside waterski course from 10:30 am to 5:30 pm
 - 8 mph before 10:30 and after 8:00 pm
- All vessels exceeding 8 mph must travel in a counterclockwise direction
- All vessels exceeding 8 mph must remain 200 feet from shore and 100 feet from all other vessels, skiers, swimmers, bathers, all buoys (other than waterski course marked buoys), diver's flags, floating objects, swimming areas and other designated areas.
- Vessels towing water-skiers shall have an observer 10 years of age or older
- All persons shall remain seated while vessel is underway.
- All motorized boats shall yield the right of way to sailboats, rowboats, water-skiers, swimmers, and divers.
- Swimming is prohibited inside the waterski course during waterskiing hours.

THE WATERSKI COURSE

- Waterskiing is permitted only within the waterski course as defined by the round orange and vertical white regulatory marker buoys (see map)
- Water-skiers must ski inside of marker buoys in a counterclockwise direction (see map)
- All vessels exceeding 8mph must remain within the ski course and travel in a counterclockwise direction.
- All vessels must turn right after dropping off a skier.

SAFETY EQUIPMENT

- Water-skiers and persons on personal water are required to wear type I, II, or III personal flotation devices (Coast Guard Approved).
- All vessels are required to have readily available personal floatation device type I, II, or III (Coast Guard Approved) for all persons on board
- Vessels 16 feet or longer must also carry at least one type IV throw able personal flotation device (Coast Guard Approved)

- Fire extinguishers (Coast Guard Approved) are required on all vessels with internal combustion motors.
- All internal combustion motors shall be equipped with a muffler.
- A red 12 inch square SKIER DOWN FLAG, mounted on a 2 foot pole must be displayed when skier is down.

REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

- Any motorized vessel operated in Washington State, having an engine larger than 10 horsepower, must be registered. For further information on vessel registration, contact the Washington Department of Licensing or the Snohomish County Auditor's Office.

RECKLESS OPERATION

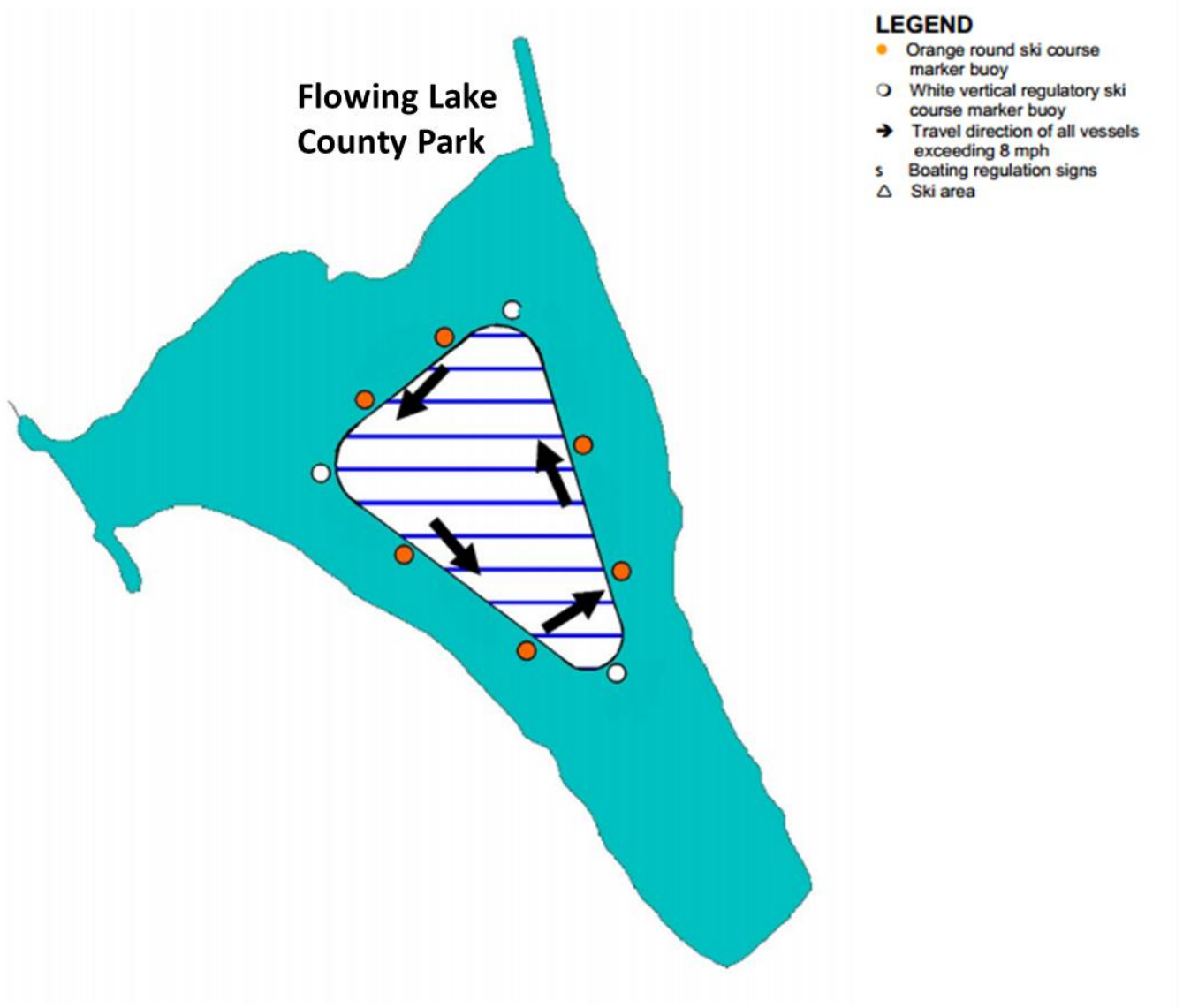
- It is unlawful to operate a watercraft in a manner so as to endanger life or limbs or damage property.
- It is unlawful to operate or be in physical control of any watercraft when under the influence of intoxicating liquor or narcotics.
- It is unlawful to operate a watercraft in a manner as to endanger any person or property

ACCIDENTS

- The operator of any watercraft involved in an accident resulting in injury or death to any person or in damage to property, must immediately stop and give name, address, name and number of vessel, name and address of the owner of the vessel, and render assistance. Report of an accident must be filed with the Snohomish County Sheriff's Office within 48 hours if the accident involves a death or personal injury requiring medical treatment or property damage in excess of \$2000.

OPERATION OF PERSONAL WATERCRAFT

- Remember you must be at least 14 YEARS OLD to operate a personal watercraft.
- Always remain a SAFE DISTANCE (MINIMUM OF 100 FEET) from other boats, buoys, skiers and swimming areas.
- Please observe the NO WAKE zones near boat launches and docks.
- To help reduce NOISE, please refrain from operating your personal watercraft close to shorelines with residences or during early morning hours.
- All persons on board a personal watercraft must wear an approved PERSONAL FLOATATION DEVICE



BE ADVISED: This is a general guide to boating regulations on Flowing Lake. For more information on Snohomish county Boating Laws, call the Snohomish County Sheriff's Marine Patrol at 425-388-5401.