

New Boating Rules on THE LOWER WILLAMETTE



The Lower Willamette River (from the confluence of the Columbia River upstream to Willamette Falls) is a complex waterway that is shared by many types of boating. There are special rules that regulate operations from the Hawthorne Bridge to Willamette Falls.

Hawthorne Bridge to Waverly Marina

There is a seasonal pass through zone (May 1 - September 30) for boats between the Hawthorne Bridge (RM 13.2) and Waverly Marina (RM 17). In this section of river:

- ▶ All boats may pass through without reducing speed
- ▶ No PWC's above 5mph except to transit through the zone
- ▶ Towed watersports are not permitted in this zone

The penalty for violation of pass through zone rules is a **Class B Violation**, with a presumptive fine of **\$265**.

Ross Island and Holgate Channel

The Holgate Channel and Ross Island Lagoon are slow-no wake only.



For a dynamic web map, visit
Boat.Oregon.gov/map

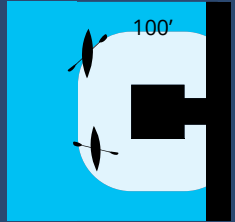
Lower Willamette rules for **TOWED WATERSPORTS**



Like the upper portion of the river, there are special rules for towed watersports between Waverly Marina (RM 17) and Willamette Falls (RM 26.7) . Please consult the list below to see where you can safely and legally do your activity.

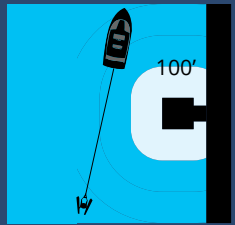
Slow No-Wake Areas

Within 100' of docks and other structures in the water, boats must operate at slow no-wake speed.



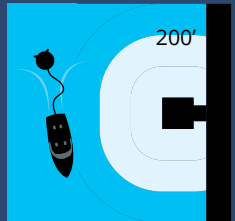
Waterskiing

Waterskiing is permitted at 100' or more from docks or other structures in the water.



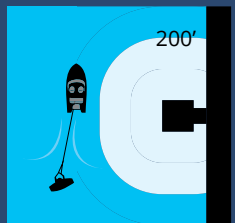
Tubing

Tubing and other inflatables are permitted at 200' or more from docks or other structures in the water.



Wakeboarding

Wakeboarding is permitted at 200' or more from docks or other structures in the water.



Wakesurfing

Wakesurfing is not permitted in this section of the river. Wakesurfing is permitted below the Hawthorne Bridge.

