

# LAKE MOHAWK MARINE RULES AND REGULATIONS

All rules and regulations of the State of New Jersey are applicable to Lake Mohawk.  
The following rules and regulations supersede all previously published  
Lake Mohawk Country Club Marine Rules and Regulations

## **PREFACE**

Lake Mohawk is a private lake and is intended for use by its members only. The rights of peace, tranquility, and privacy must be respected.

Our lake is patrolled by the LMCC Marine Patrol and the New Jersey State Police. These officers are authorized to enforce Federal and State Laws as well as the Marine Rules and Regulations contained herein. Over the years the Marine Patrol has done much more than call attention to safety infractions. Many lives have been saved and accidents avoided by their insistence on the observation of safety rules and regulations.

Many of our members are new to boating, and it is required that they take a formal boating safety course. Various United States Coast Guard courses are available in the area and they are well worth the time.

The Lake is open to all members in good standing to enjoy any or all of the various leisure-time activities offered. Abiding by the rules allows all to enjoy the pleasures offered by our beautiful lake.

## **BOATS**

Any person planning to purchase a boat over 19' in length is advised to contact the Lake Mohawk Country Club Office or Marine Services (See Item 4, below) prior to purchase.

1. Current Lake Mohawk Country Club Boat Tags (stickers) must be affixed on the port and starboard bow behind and in close proximity to the New Jersey Registration number. Tags are not transferrable. Tags must be affixed prior to launch and must be renewed on an annual basis. Boats in violation of this provision are subject to a fine equal to 50% of the Lake Mohawk registration fee for the first offense and to a fine equal to 100% of the Lake Mohawk registration fee for subsequent offenses. Continued failure to comply with above boat registration and boat tag display may result in a Board of Adjudication Hearing before the Marine Services Committee.
2. Gasoline-powered watercrafts are not permitted on Upper Lake Mohawk or Alpine Pool. Powerboats designated primarily for racing are not permitted on Lake Mohawk. Powered platforms, wheeled, tracked, or skidded amphibious vehicles, jet skis, jet boats, hydroplanes, aquadarts, ski sleds, air boats, hydrofoil, hovercraft, and houseboats are not permitted. No twin-powered or diesel engine craft are permitted on the Lake. Non-approved Boating Industry Association pontoon boats are not permitted.
  - a. Wake-enhancing devices and designs for boats are of serious concern for Lake Mohawk. A large wake from boats has numerous detrimental effects: 1) It can make the lake very choppy and potentially unsafe or unusable for some users (small crafts, water skiers, etc.); 2) Property damage can occur as well as shoreline erosion; and 3) The additional downward forces from the boat and propulsion system disrupt the lower strata of the Lake and the delicate ecological balance of the Lake. To help manage the lake's quality and for the safety of all users, boats with wake enhancing devices such as but not limited to, wedges, plates, or other mechanical devices for wake enhancement will not be allowed to operate on the lake. Boats with built-in ballast systems will be required to disable the systems by means such as removing control fuses, plugging of intake hoses, or removal of weights, hoses, or impellers that fill the systems. Boats with wedges, plates, or other mechanical devices will be required to remove the device, remove the handle for adjusting the plate, disable any electrical control to the

device or put a pin through the device thereby disabling its use. Owners of boats with “fat sacks” or other “stand alone” bladder systems will not be allowed to have them in their boats and will be required to remove such devices. The recommended penalty for violation of this provision is removal of the boat from the Lake for twelve months.

- b. Boats with specific wake-enhancing hull designs are not permitted on Lake Mohawk. The hull design characteristics and description that the boat manufacturer uses to market the boat will determine whether a boat fits into this category.
- c. Boat weight is also recognized as a factor in wake creation and enhancement; therefore the “Wet Weight” of any boat on Lake Mohawk will be limited to 3600 lbs or less. Wet Weight is defined as the manufacturer’s specified Dry Weight plus the maximum weight of all operating fluids:
  - (A) Wet weight of the boat- If the manufacturer does not specify the wet weight, it is calculated as the sum of the following two components:
    - 1. Dry Weight of the boat
    - 2. Nominal weight of operating fluids (where applicable):
      - a. Fuel weight (maximum fuel capacity X 6.0 lbs/US gal)
      - b. Engine oil weight (maximum capacity X 6.9 lbs/US gal)
      - c. Engine coolant weight (maximum capacity X 9.3 lbs/US gal)
      - d. Hydraulic oil weight (maximum capacity X 7.5 lbs/US gal)
  - d. The “Total Weight” shall not exceed 5500 lbs. Total Weight is defined as the sum of the following three components and must be provided either through the manufacturer’s specification documentation or a statement from a dealer or mechanic:
    - (A) Wet weight of the boat- If the manufacturer does not specify the wet weight, it is calculated
    - (B) Maximum weight capacity (manufacturer specified or by the NMMA capacity plate, whichever is greater);
    - (C) Supplemental tank weight (including, but not limited to, live-wells, built-in coolers and integral ballast tanks, calculated by the maximum capacity of the container(s)/tank(s) X 8.3 lbs/US gal);

Wet weight (3600 lbs or less)=A or a+b+c+d

Total weight (5500 lbs or less)=A+B+C

- 3. **Club members are advised to contact the Club Office prior to purchasing any boat which may be questionable.** The Marine Services Committee must approve all boats before LMCC Tags can be issued. Prior to the issuance of LMCC Tags for your watercraft, it is necessary to present at the Club Office:
  - a. LMCC registration card filled out and signed by a member in good standing.
  - b. Proof of liability insurance. Minimum coverage must be \$100,000.00.
  - c. Current New Jersey Boat Registration.
  - d. New Jersey Boating Safety Certificate, and valid Operator's License where applicable.
  - e. The watercraft must be inspected by the Marine Services Committee. If the craft is transferred or subsequently altered so that its description on the Club Registration Card is not accurate, the craft must be re-inspected and re-approved. Failure to permit inspection by the Marine Services Committee constitutes grounds for revocation.
- 4. The maximum length for boats on Lake Mohawk is 22'0" (276" or less) as specified by the manufacturer’s overall length (OAL). Overall length shall include swim platforms or any other similar structures which may extend beyond the forward or aft areas of the boat hull.
- 5. The maximum width for boats on Lake Mohawk is 8'6" (102" or less) as specified by the manufacturer’s overall width (Beam).
- 6. Watercraft shall not be of cabin cruiser type nor contain living quarters. Enclosed passenger compartments are not permitted. Soft detachable tops are permitted. Watercraft may not contain galleys, cuddy cabins, heads, waste lines, or similar facilities.