

# Please Watch Your Wake

## Wakes from boats have undesirable side effects:

- Loons and other birds that nest along the shore choose locations for their nests that are protected from prevailing winds. However, boat wakes can come from any direction and drown nests and young birds, particularly in May and June.
- Boat wake and prop wash can churn up sediments in shallow water, degrading the aquatic environment for plants, animals and humans.
- Shoreline erosion caused by boat wake decreases property size.
- Damage to moored boats and docks from boat wake results in costly repairs.
- Inexperienced or young swimmers, canoeists and kayakers can easily be toppled by the size and energy of boat wakes.

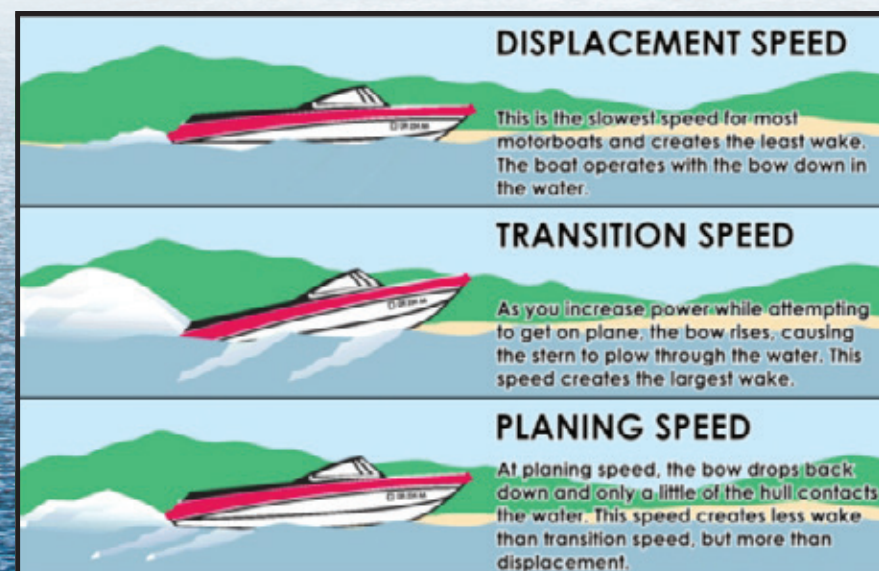
Help to keep wake damage to a minimum on Lake Weslemkoon by following the tips on how to be Wake Wise.

Resources:  
Safe Quiet Lakes [safequiet.ca](http://safequiet.ca)  
FOCA [foca.on.ca](http://foca.on.ca)  
Transport Canada Office of Boating Safety



## Be Wake Wise

1. Travel 30 m from shore at displacement speed before accelerating to a higher speed.
2. Trim your motor so that you quickly achieve planing speed. Spend as little time in transition speed as is possible.
3. Position your passengers throughout the boat in order to reduce the time spent in transition speed.
4. Look behind you to see & understand the impact of your wake on shorelines, docks or other structures. Adjust your speed & direction to minimize the impact. Respect the shoreline zone.
5. When slowing down to displacement speed throttle back, wait for the bow to drop and the boat to level off before proceeding.
6. Leave no wake within 30 metres of any shore and in the narrow channels between islands. Use the map in this brochure to help determine the 30 metre zone.
7. Water ski, tube & wakeboard well away from all shorelines. Try to make use of the entire length of the lake.
8. Consider the size of the wake produced when purchasing a new boat.



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## Weslemkoon



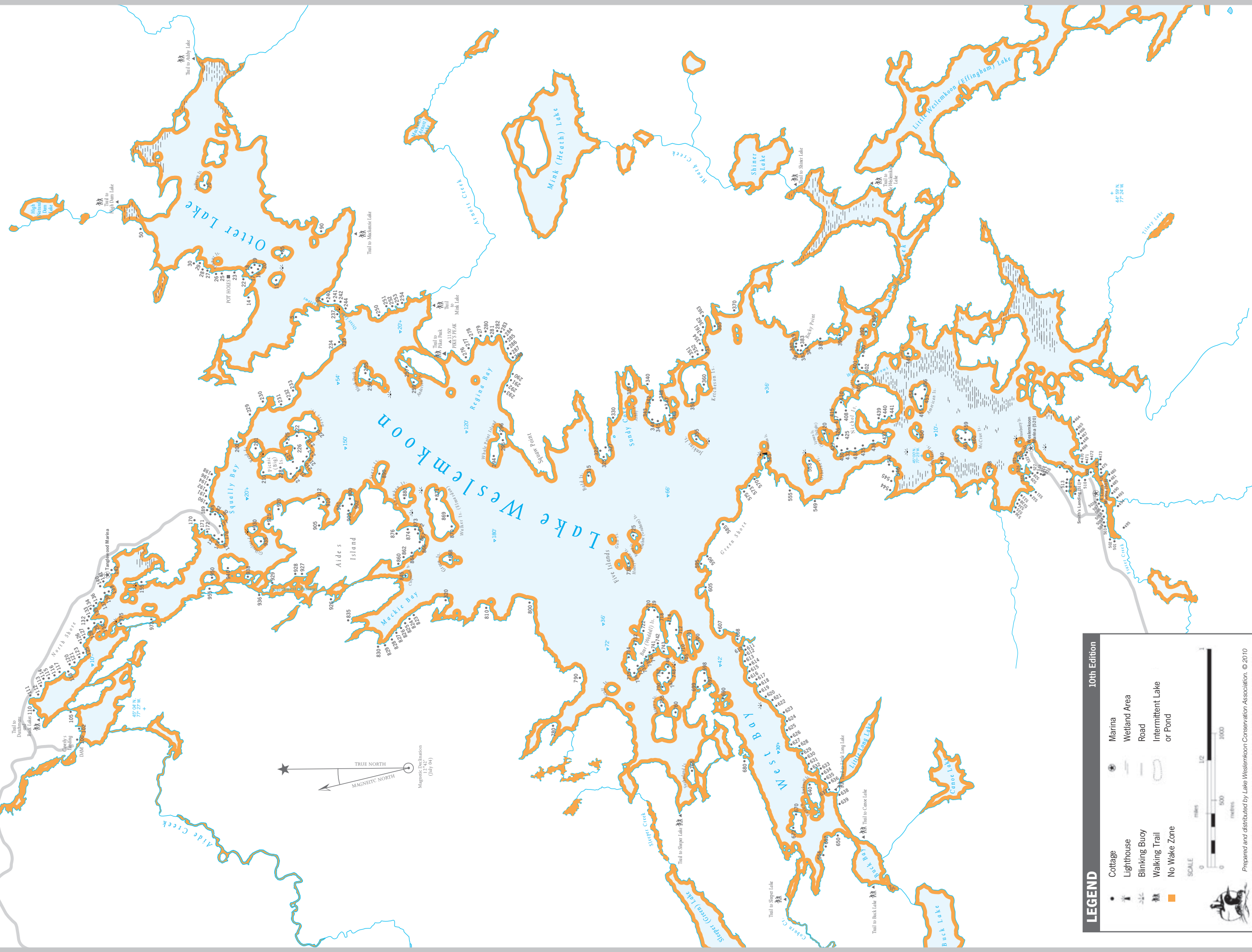
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# "No Wake Zones" on Weslemkoon

Please use this map to identify the No Wake Zones, located within 30 m of shore, which are highlighted in orange. Thank you for being Wake Wise on Weslemkoon!



**LEGEND**

- Cottage
- Lighthouse
- Blinking Buoy
- Walking Trail
- No Wake Zone
- Marina
- Wetland Area
- Road
- Intermittent Lake or Pond

SCALE: 0 500 1000 meters

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