

# NAVIGATION RULES

- Watercraft should not be operated in a reckless or negligent manner or under the influence of alcohol.
- NYS law prohibits speeds in excess of 5 mph within 100 feet of shore, a dock, float, or anchored boat.
- For activities such as skiing or tubing, NYS law requires a spotter be on board in addition to the driver.
- Any towing activity such as waterskiing, tubing, wakeboarding, etc. must take place between the hours of sunrise and sunset.
- NYS law requires that life jackets must be on board for each occupant. Children under 12 must wear a life jacket when on board.
- NYS law requires all boat drivers born after May 1, 1996 to have completed a boating safety course and obtained a State Certificate.
- Personal watercraft operators are required to:
  - - have (on them) a safety boating course certificate.
  - - wear a personal flotation device -- as are ALL passengers
  - - be sensitive to campers relaxing on their docks. Don't stay in one area of the Lake too long
- Non-motorized boats have the right-of-way at all times.
- After sunset, all watercraft must use running lights, lanterns, or flashlights.
- Be conscious of the damage your wake may my cause to the shoreline or other boaters.
- Boats & trailers used in other lakes must be thoroughly cleaned and dried before launching to prevent transference of harmful species.
- Dumping any waste, litter, garbage, fuel, oil or sewage into any lake is unlawful.
- If your boat has powerful headlights or a spotlight, use good manners when close to shore.