

CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND, WASHINGTON

ORDINANCE NO. 05-787

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, RELATING TO SPEED LIMITS ON LAKE SAWYER, AND AMENDING BLACK DIAMOND MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 8.24.010(E)(2).

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that due to technology changes that can result in large wakes at slower speeds, the reduction in the speed limit for watercraft on Lake Sawyer is necessary to protect the public health, safety and welfare, now therefore.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Black Diamond Municipal Code Section 8.24.010(E)(2) is hereby amended to read as follows:

2. Rules on the Water.

- a. Speeding Hours. Vessels may exceed the posted speed limit of 5 miles per hour between the hours of two (2) p.m. and seven (7) p.m. on Monday through Fridays and from eleven (11) a.m. to three (3) p.m. on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.
- b. Maximum Speed During "Speeding Hours". The maximum speed allowable during the above designated hours shall be thirty six (36) miles per hour.
- c. Movement of Vessels. All watercraft operating in excess of five (5) miles per hour shall proceed in a "counterclockwise" direction.
- d. Designated Areas of Operation during "Speeding Hours". Watercraft operating in excess of five (5) miles per hour with or without someone in tow shall not operate between buoys and shorelines and within one hundred 100 feet from other craft or persons.
- e. Operation Inside Buoy Areas. All motorized vessels shall operate at a no wake speed on shoreline side of buoys areas at all times.
- f. Marine Patrol Actions. Marine patrol officers shall have the discretion, depending on the volume of watercraft on the lake, to require all boats not staying within the flow of traffic to move their activity to an area between the shoreline and the buoys described in Section 8.24.010(E).
- g. Speed Limit. The maximum speed for all watercraft on Lake Sawyer is five (5) miles per hour, except during those times designated as "speeding hours" in subsection 2(a) above.

Section 3. Severability. If any provision of this Ordinance is determined to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the remaining provisions of this Ordinance shall remain in force and effect.

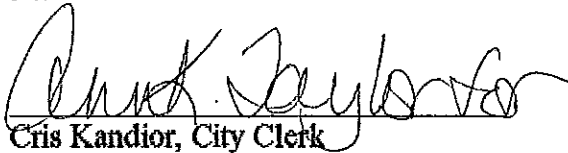
Section 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect five (5) days from and after its passage, approval, posting and publication as provided by law. A summary of this ordinance may be published in lieu of publishing the Ordinance in its entirety.

Introduced the 16th day of June, 2005. Passed by the majority of the City Council at a meeting held on the 16th day of June, 2005.

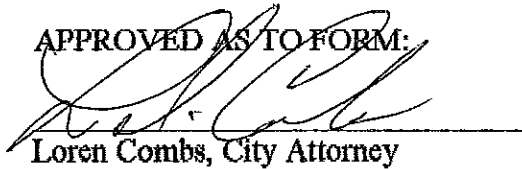


Mayor Howard Botts

Attest:


Cris Kandior, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Loren Combs, City Attorney

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