

RESPONSIBLE BOATING

Enjoying the Lake Responsibly

Why It Matters:

Boats and personal watercraft can contribute to shoreline erosion, stir up sediment, and fowl loons and wildlife.

- Poor water quality and habitat loss
- Potential by-laws or boating restrictions



Learn More:

- Government • conservation and stewardship groups
- Law enforcement and boating safety

Science Says:

Wakes
cause up to **5x**
more erosion
than natural
waves.

For the Lake Association:

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- Share info on speed limits, no-wake zones & sensitive areas

- Boat wakes erode the shoreline, disturb wildlife, and degrade water quality

Practical Actions

For the Lake Association:

- ✓ Put up clear signs at the boat launch
- ✓ Share info on speed limits, no-wake zones & sensitive areas
- ✓ Work with conservation groups to promote safe, lake-friendly boating

For Cottagers:

- ✓ Stay under 10 km/h within 30 m of shore (it's the law)
- ✓ Avoid bays with nests or weed beds
- ✓ Keep engines maintained to reduce fuel leaks
- ✓ Use electric or low-wake craft when possible

Quick Tip:

Slow down near shore—save fuel, protect wildlife, and preserve the lake for everyone.