

ORDINANCE NO. ORD-10-0022

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF LONG BEACH AMENDING THE LONG BEACH  
MUNICIPAL CODE BY AMENDING SECTIONS 16.08.471  
AND 16.08.650, RELATING TO MARINAS

The City Council of the City of Long Beach ordains as follows:

Section 1. Section 16.08.471 of the Long Beach Municipal Code is  
amended to read as follows:

16.08.471 Five (5) mile per hour speed limit – Restricted area.

No person shall operate any vessel within Alamitos Bay at a rate of speed in excess of five (5) miles per hour. The provisions of this Section do not apply to the areas designated in Section 16.08.470, to Marine Stadium West between April 1 and September 30, inclusive, between the hours of eight o'clock (8:00) A.M. to sunset. The provisions of this Section do not apply to the areas designated in Section 16.08.470, to Marine Stadium West between October 1 and March 31, inclusive, on Thursday through Sunday and on school holidays between the hours of 8 o'clock (8:00) A.M. to sunset, and on Monday through Wednesday, excluding school holidays, between the hours of 8 o'clock (8:00) A.M. to 4 o'clock (4:00) P.M. and between the hours of 6 o'clock (6:00) P.M. to sunset, or to Marine Stadium East for an organized marine event under permit issued by the City.

Section 2. Section 16.08.650 of the Long Beach Municipal Code is  
amended to read as follows:

1 16.08.650 Marine Stadium West.

2 A. The operation of motorboats up to twenty-three feet (23') in  
3 length, not including swimstep, for the purpose of water skiing or wake  
4 boarding is permitted within areas of Marine Stadium West designated by  
5 the Director for that purpose. Within such designated areas, the five (5)  
6 mile per hour speed limit shall not be applicable between eight o'clock  
7 (8:00) A.M. and sunset during the period of April 1 and September 30,  
8 inclusive; between the hours of eight o'clock (8:00) A.M. and sunset on  
9 Thursday through Sunday and school holidays during the period of  
10 October 1 and March 31, inclusive; between the hours of eight o'clock  
11 (8:00) A.M. and four o'clock (4:00) P.M. on Monday through Wednesday,  
12 excluding school holidays, during the period of October 1 and March 31,  
13 inclusive; and between the hours of six o'clock (6:00) P.M. and sunset on  
14 Monday through Wednesday, excluding school holidays, during the period  
15 of October 1 and March 31, inclusive, provided, however, no person shall  
16 operate any vessel in Marine Stadium West in excess of thirty-five (35)  
17 miles per hour.

18 B. Within the Marine Stadium West, no person shall:

19 1. Within the northwest five hundred (500) feet of the  
20 extreme northwest end of Marine Stadium West, operate any vessel in  
21 excess of five (5) miles per hour. The Director shall mark or cause to be  
22 marked said restricted speed area with appropriate buoys;

23 2. Operate vessels, except for motorboats up to twenty-  
24 three (23) feet in length, rowing shells, or other non-motorized paddle  
25 vessels without a permit issued by the Director;

26 3. Operate Personal Watercraft. "Personal Watercraft" shall  
27 mean a vessel less than thirteen (13) feet in length which uses an inboard  
28 motor powering a water jet pump or propeller as its primary source of

1 motive power and which is designed to be operated by a person sitting,  
2 standing, or kneeling on the vessel rather than the conventional manner of  
3 sitting or standing inside the vessel;

4 4. Possess or consume any alcoholic beverage;

5 5. Swim without a permit issued by the Director;

6 6. Tow any object, structure or person with a towline in  
7 excess of seventy-five (75) feet in length;

8 7. Fail to beach immediately any vessel upon the lawful  
9 sounding of a warning device by the operator of an official patrol boat;

10 8. Follow in the wake of any motorboat at a distance of less  
11 than two hundred (200) feet when the motorboat is towing any object,  
12 structure, or person;

13 9. Ski without a flag;

14 10. Leave ski line in the water after a skier drops off. Ski line  
15 shall be pulled aboard immediately after skier drops off;

16 11. Operate a motorboat in any manner except as follows:

17 a. In a southeasterly direction when the boat is closer  
18 to the southwesterly shore of the Marine Stadium West than to the  
19 northeasterly shore thereof,

20 b. In a northwesterly direction when the boat is closer  
21 to the northeasterly shore of the Marine Stadium West than to the  
22 southwesterly shore thereof,

23 c. In a right turn when departing from the shore or  
24 when approaching the shore;

25 12. Operate any motorboat, except in cases of emergency,  
26 in any area other than the established traffic lane. The Director shall give  
27 notice of the location of a traffic lane or lanes in the Marine Stadium West  
28 consistent with the requirements of this Section by placing appropriate

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1 marking buoys therein;

2 13. Operate a motorboat towing more than one person,  
3 except during organized events under a permit issued by the Marine  
4 Bureau;

5 14. Fail, when skiing, to wear an approved U.S.C.G.  
6 personal flotation device of serviceable condition and appropriate size;

7 15. Operate a motorboat unless the vessel is equipped with  
8 a means of disengaging and reversing its propulsion, except when  
9 participating in an organized event under a permit issued by the Marine  
10 Bureau;

11 16. Fish within the Marine Stadium West designated water  
12 ski area;

13 17. Operate a ski boom or any side towing apparatus.

14 C. The number of vessels permitted to be in use in the Marine  
15 Stadium West at any one time shall be determined by the Director.

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17 Section 3. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance by  
18 the City Council and cause it to be posted in three (3) conspicuous places in the City of  
19 Long Beach, and it shall take effect on the thirty-first (31st) day after it is approved by the  
20 Mayor.

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1 I hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance was adopted by the City  
2 Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of August 3, 2010, by  
3 the following vote:

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5 Ayes: Councilmembers: Garcia, DeLong, O'Donnell,  
6 Schipske, Andrews, Gabelich,  
7 Neal, Lowenthal.

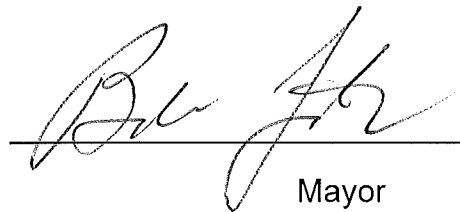
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9 Noes: Councilmembers: None.

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11 Absent: Councilmembers: Johnson.

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16 City Clerk

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21 Approved: Aug 11, 2010  
22 (Date)

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26 Mayor

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