DEVILS LAKE NEIGHBOTHOOD ASSOCIATION

July Boat Parade Guidelines July 4th 2023 - 4:00pm



- 1. All participants must meet the following basic requirements.
 - Have a properly registered, motor-driven, vessel capable of safe travel in Oregon waters.
 - b. The vessel operator must have a State Boater Safety Card.
 - c. It is illegal to operate a boat while under the influence of alcohol; vessel should have a designated operator who refrains from alcoholic consumption.
 - d. The vessel must meet all requirements for on-board safety equipment, including sufficient life jackets for all on board.
- Assemble in the lake in front of Regatta Park.
- The lead boat of the parade will be a Sheriff's Marine Deputy so please wait for them to get into position.
- The lead boat will signal the beginning of the parade with three short blasts and proceed counterclockwise around the lake in the direction of Brown Bear State Park.
- 5. Parade Participants are to follow in after the lead boats. Boats are to leave plenty of space between each other while merging into the parade line. Please be courteous, placement in the parade is not important but safety is.



6. Please allow a substantial amount of spacing between boats as you merge into the line be prepared and courteous for those who may cut in front of you.

- Maintain a SLOW speed not to exceed 5 MPH or No Wake and adjust for traffic.
 Be advised that sometimes the parade line gets bunched up and you will need to
 adjust accordingly. DO NOT PASS ANOTHER VESSEL WHILE IN THE
 PARADE LINE.
- 8. Please watch out for boats who join the parade while in progress who may not be aware of these guidelines. We will be posting these guidelines online and at the launch ramp to help educate boaters. Please be aware, cautious and courteous of these boats and set an example with your boating behavior. It is not important to be right, it is important to be SAFE.
- 9. All participants will make one complete pass around the lake (approx 1 hour), following behind the lead boats starting according to the diagram. To control wave action we will not be entering every inlet; check the route to determine if we will pass you residence.
- 10. While on the parade route keep at least 3 boat lengths behind the preceding vessel and at least 200 feet from the shoreline and/or docks.
- 11. Designate a look-out on board to assist the vessel operator during the event.
- 12. Do not overcrowd your boat with participants, by exceeding your vessel's posted occupancy sticker. Every child under the age of 13 MUST have a life jacket while on deck and be in a secure location on the vessel.
- 13. No Towing of humans, ski biscuits, kayaks or any other vessels.
- 14. At the end of the parade or if you should exit early please continue slowly returning to your slip, or boat launch. Note that there will be a large number of boats on the lake at this time all generating wakes, this can cause unsafe conditions and damage to private property. PLEASE BE AWARE OF NON-MOTORIZED VESSELS THAT MAY BE ON THE LAKE.
- 15. In General, please use common sense, be respectful of other parade participants, and be respectful of other boaters. Be Safe, Have Fun and Enjoy the Parade! Thanks for making it happen!