



## Legislation Text

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SUBSTITUTE 2

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A substitute ordinance relating to watercraft speed limits in the outer harbor during special events.

118-80-3-g cr

This ordinance provides that the harbor master may declare and enforce a temporary speed limit of 5 miles per hour, slow no wake, in the outer harbor or portions of the outer harbor before, during and after a lakefront fireworks display or other special event for which the harbor master determines the expected volume of watercraft traffic is such that operation above the speed of 5 miles per hour, slow no wake, will be unsafe. Public notice of a temporary speed restriction shall be provided on marine broadcast radio on a periodic basis beginning 2 hours before the start of the special event and ending 2 hours after the conclusion of the event, and as crowd control requires. The harbor master shall also seek the assistance of the South Shore Yacht Club in printing notices of these temporary speed restrictions.

This ordinance shall be null and void after December 31, 2010.

The Mayor and Common Council of the City of Milwaukee do ordain as follows:

Part 1. Section 118-80-3-g of the code is created to read:

### **118-80. Boat Regulations, Milwaukee Harbor.**

#### **3. SPEED RESTRICTIONS.**

g. Outer Harbor; Special Events. g-1. Declaration. The harbor master may declare and enforce a temporary speed limit of 5 miles per hour, slow no wake, in the outer harbor or any portion thereof before, during and after a lakefront fireworks display or other special event for which the harbor master determines the expected volume of watercraft traffic is such that operation above the speed of 5 miles per hour, slow no wake, will be unsafe. In determining whether a temporary speed limit should be declared, the harbor master may consult with the United States Coast Guard, the police department or the Wisconsin department of natural resources.

g-2. Public Notice. Any speed limit declared under this paragraph shall be announced to the boating public on the marine broadcast radio. Public notice of this speed restriction shall be provided by the harbor master or harbor master's designee on a periodic basis beginning 2 hours before the start of the special event and ending 2 hours after the conclusion of the event, and as crowd control requires. Any speed limit declared under this paragraph shall also be posted at Milwaukee county boat launch sites and updated annually.

g-3. Assistance from Yacht Club. The harbor master or the harbor master's designee shall request the assistance of the South Shore Yacht Club in preparing printed notices of each year's special

events for which temporary speed restrictions will be declared under subd. 1.

Part 2. This ordinance shall be null and void after December 31, 2010.

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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Legislative Reference Bureau

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

IT IS OUR OPINION THAT THE ORDINANCE  
IS LEGAL AND ENFORCEABLE

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Office of the City Attorney

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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