

Lake Ninovan Guidelines for safe lake usage

- o The primary purpose of Lake Ninovan is to provide a facility for water-skiing and similar activities such as wakeboarding and barefoot skiing.
- o Lake Ninovan is a general purpose recreational lake, activities such as swimming, fishing or general boating are encouraged, but must yield to skiing.
- o The ski course area is defined as 75 feet on either side of the centerline of the ski course extended to both ends of the lake and around the turn islands.
- o General lake users must avoid the ski course area while skiing is in progress and leave the ski area if a skier would like to use the lake.
- o The "thumb" area of the lake is designated to be a no wake zone to be used for non-skiing activities while skiing is underway.
- o Skiers should allow others the opportunity to leave the skiing area before skiing begins. Boats at skiing speed should stop immediately if other users enter the ski area.
- o Always check lake conditions before, during and after you use the lake:
 - check for others on the water
 - check for debris on the water
 - replace or report any buoys that need repair or replacement
 - Report any unsafe conditions
- o **Be visible Be safe!** You may not be visible behind the islands. It is **strongly discouraged** to have anyone go behind the turn islands while fishing, swimming, or using a non-powered boat. This is a very dangerous situation it could cause serious injury or even death!
- o No boat shall be operated on the waters of the lake faster than 10 MPH except while performing activities associated with water skiing. To maintain a safe environment The Club may restrict boat sizes and configuration.
- o Use of two-stroke engines and jet-powered boats are not permitted on the lake. This includes Jet Skis, Wave Runners, and other similar boats.
- o Any object kept near the shoreline including boats, chairs, toys, etc. should be secured. No object should be allowed to float free. Items floating free can cause visible or submerged hazards. Please be responsible by securing and retrieving all items that may float or blow into the water.
- o The club has the right to restrict lake usage, at times, for the purpose of training, competitions, maintenance or due to unsafe conditions.
- o No fishing in the ski course area or within 20 feet of designated beach areas. Fishing, swimming and other non-skiing activities must yield to skiing activities.
- o The homeowner's access lot (at the tip of the thumb) is a designated swimming area. Be courteous around individual homeowner's beaches.
- o Docks must not extend beyond the normal shoreline in the main body of the lake. Modification of the shore area under the control of The Club. Please contact the ski club for more information.
- o You must be a member of the ski club or a guest of a member in order to *ski* on the lake. A member must be present while the guest is using the lake for skiing.
- o Use of alcoholic beverages is strongly discouraged while on the lake.
- o The ski course needs to be maintained by those who use the lake for skiing activities, whether or not they use the ski course. If you see a problem with it, do your best to repair it or contact the ski club. The ski club can provide spare buoys.
- o Contact the ski club if you notice any hazardous or dangerous conditions on the lake or shorelines. This includes shoreline erosion. The lake liner **MUST** be protected at all times. The liner is the key to maintaining the water level.
- o Safety is of the utmost importance.
- o Courtesy and Common Sense must be exercised by all lake users.
- o State of Illinois fishing & boating laws must be followed. Purchase of fishing license required per state laws.
- o All boats operated on the lake shall be registered with The Club and comply with the insurance requirements of The Club.

Anyone not following these rules and the rules of the ski club and homeowners association will be subject to discipline actions by the ski club