

(p) ~~---"Waters of the State" means any water within the jurisdiction of the State, the marginal sea adjacent to the State, and the high seas when navigated as part of a ride or journey to or from the shore of the State.~~

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(A) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO:

(1) ANY PERFORMER ENGAGED IN A PROFESSIONAL EXHIBITION; OR

(2) ANY PERSON TAKING PART IN:

(I) AN AUTHORIZED REGATTA, MOTORBOAT RACE, OR OTHER BOAT RACE; OR

(II) ANY MARINE PARADE, TOURNAMENT, OR EXHIBITION.

(B) A person may not operate any machinery-propelled vessel for the purpose of towing a person on water skis, aquaplane, or similar device unless the vessel operator is at least 12 years old and another person, at least 12 years old, is in the vessel to observe the progress of the person being towed. Towing may not occur between sunset and sunrise. ~~This section does not apply to any performer engaged in professional exhibition, or any person taking part in an authorized regatta, motorboat, or other boat race, a marine parade, tournament, or any exhibition.~~

(C) (1) IN THIS SUBSECTION, "PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICE" INCLUDES:

(I) A LIFE JACKET;

(II) A LIFE VEST;

(III) A LIFE PRESERVER;

(IV) A BAREFOOT WET SUIT; OR

(V) A TRICK SKIING WET SUIT.

(2) A PERSON WHO IS IN THE WATERS OF THE STATE AND IS BEING TOWED BEHIND A VESSEL MUST WEAR A PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICE.

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~~A PERSON MAY NOT BE TOWED ON WATER SKIS ON THE WATERS OF THE STATE UNLESS THE PERSON USES A PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICE OR OTHER LIFESAVING DEVICE THAT IS ATTACHED TO THE PERSON IN THE PRESCRIBED MANNER.~~

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