

Stevens County Sheriff Office  
Boating Safety & Education Unit  
P.O. Box 186  
Colville, WA 99114

Silver Beach Homes Association



Re: Permit for Waterway Regulatory Buoy

Dear [REDACTED]:

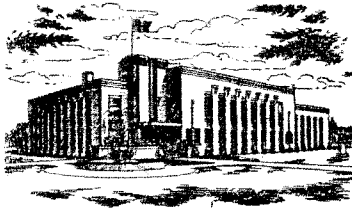
Enclosed is your permit to place speed restriction buoys in the area of Silver Beach Homes and Loon Island at Loon Lake. This is a rather unique permit in that it applies to all properties in the Silver Beach Association boundary. In the event that some property owners express the desire to conduct water ski operations, they will be unable to unless a ski dock is placed out in the buoy line. We highly recommend ski docks for the purpose of keeping speeding boats away from near-shore activities. If the Silver Beach Homes Association or any members desire to place a ski dock, this permit will be amended to permit that.

Another issue pertains to vessels passing through the shallow channel between the shore and Loon Island. If this continues to be a problem, it is suggested that a boom line be placed between the two landmasses using lengths of 6" white PVC pipe with foam flotation. Allow a space wide enough for canoes to pass through, if desired. Many resorts and lake property owners have used this method for delineating and enclosing swimming areas. It would be a good idea to install additional upright buoys restricting motorized vessels from the area. We would also issue an amended permit if this type of restriction were to be installed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dean Westerman", written over the printed name.

Dean Westerman  
Sergeant/Supervisor  
Boating Safety & Education Unit



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**Permit for Placement of Waterway Marker or Ski Dock**

Owner's Name Silver Beach Homes

Lake Address [REDACTED] Silver Beach Road, Loon Lake, WA 99148

Home Address [REDACTED]

Permit is for:             Restrictive Buoy             Ski Dock             Other

**Buoy Type**

- Swimming Area
- Danger (specify danger) \_\_\_\_\_
- Controlled Area (speed restriction, etc) No Wake
- Informational \_\_\_\_\_
- Mooring Buoy

Specifications for placement: *Speed restrictive buoys to be placed no more than 150 feet from shore, and no more than 200 feet apart. Buoys should be placed in line with each other as much as possible, given the variations of shoreline. Buoys to indicate NO WAKE or "5" enclosed in an orange circle as depicted. It is unlawful to pass within 100' of these buoys (or anything else) at more than 5 MPH; this applies to all boaters, including vessels conducting water skiing or vessels owned by association members.*

*A copy of this document should be distributed to each affected property owner. Sheriff's boating safety officers also have a copy on file.*

Signature of Issuing Officer

6/9/2005

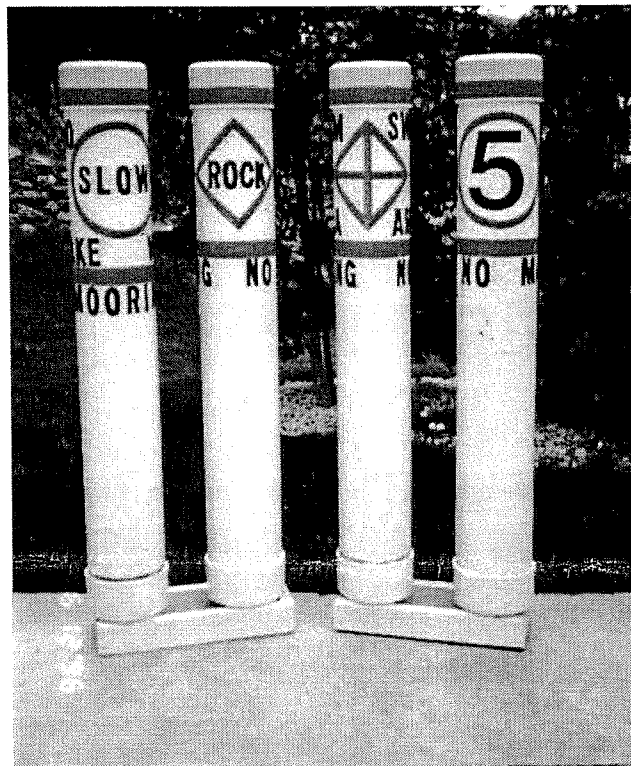
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REGULATORY BUOYS INDICATE TO A VESSEL OPERATOR THE EXISTENCE OF A DANGEROUS AREA, AS WELL AS THOSE AREAS WHICH ARE RESTRICTED OR CONTROLLED, AND SWIMMING AREAS. IT IS ILLEGAL FOR ANY POWERED VESSEL TO BE IN A SWIMMING AREA, RUNNING OR NOT.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE LAW, REGULATORY BUOYS SHALL BE WHITE WITH HORIZONTAL "INTERNATIONAL ORANGE" BANDS AROUND THE TOP AND BOTTOM AS PICTURED.

- GEOMETRIC SHAPES SHALL BE PLACED IN THE CENTER WHITE PORTION OF THE BUOY BODY AND SHALL ALSO BE COLORED INTERNATIONAL ORANGE. THE AUTHORIZED GEOMETRIC SHAPES AND THEIR MEANINGS ARE SHOWN BELOW.
- ALL REGULATORY BUOYS SHALL BE PLACED WITHIN 100 FEET OF THE SHORELINE, OR THE END OF THE DOCK, IF APPLICABLE. EXCEPTIONS WILL BE ADDRESSED ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS.
- PROPANE TANKS, DISPOSABLE HELIUM TANKS, GALLON MILK JUGS, TETHERBALLS AND SIMILAR ITEMS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED.

MOORING BUOYS SHALL BE WHITE WITH A BLUE BAND AND MUST BE WITHIN 50 FEET OF THE SHORE. GREATER DISTANCES WILL REQUIRE THE MOORING BUOY TO BE ILLUMINATED WITH A WHITE FLASHING LIGHT BETWEEN SUNSET AND SUNRISE.



The above photograph shows buoys for speed restrictions (#1 and #4), hazard and swim areas. These upright buoys are in accordance with the Uniform Waterway Marking System. The buoy is white, the lettering is black, and all striping is international orange. The phrase "No Mooring" is optional, although it is unlawful to use this type of buoy for mooring. Not shown are informational buoys or mooring buoys. Buoys of the type displayed are available commercially in the Spokane area, can be obtained through mail order/Internet sources, or can be made at home.