

200 FOOT NO WAKE

SLOW DOWN, YOU'RE IN THE ZONE

Dane County's law for boaters: Slow no wake within 200 feet of shore on Lakes Mendota, Monona, Waubesa and Kegonsa.

Why 200 feet? So that it's possible for everyone using the Dane county lakes, water skiers, boaters, sailors, swimmers, canoeists, anglers, sailboarders, kayakers, everyone, to have a fun, safe time on the lakes.

That's fine, but how do you know when you're within the slow no wake zone? How do you know when to slow down? Just how far is 200 feet?

Well, if you're a football player or fan, it's 2/3 of a football field, not quite 67 yards. A very long punt. A very, very long field goal.

If you're a golfer, it's a good chip shot with a pitching wedge.

If you fish, it's all the four pound test line on your spinning reel spool.

If you're a boater 200 feet from shore, it's where you slow down to no wake speed, because you're in the zone. Because it's the right thing to do. Because it's the law. And because if you don't, it's a \$50 fine. And everybody knows what \$50 is.

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