

## BOATING FEES & STAFF SCHEDULE

(January – December)	Annual	Daily*
Annual Pass (power boats 5hp and up)	\$450.00	\$40.00
Annual Pass (under 5hp and sail over 8 ft.)	\$250.00	\$25.00

\* Daily passes available starting Memorial Day Weekend. Fri.-Sun. Starting the third week of June, the Harbor Patrol will also be open on Fridays 3-9pm. Annual passes includes launch ramp access key for launching during non-staffed periods. Upon payment of user fees the City will provide a sticker to be applied to the vessel. Daily users must carry their daily receipt in the vessel. Non-powered and sail boats not needing ramp access are exempt from the use fees. Daily passes are NOT available for purchase during non-staffed hours.

## LAUNCH RAMP AND PASSES

- A. Public launch ramp closed from 10:00 pm to 6:00 am 13.25.020.
- B. No overnight docking except at private docks with encroachment permits. 13.25.080.
- C. All motorized vessels must have valid Marina Lagoon annual or daily pass. 13.25.060.
- D. Boats propelled solely by hand or sail shall be exempt from Marina Lagoon use fees. 13.25.060.

## ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

### City Regulations Specific to Marina Lagoon

- A. **Alcohol on Public Property.** Possession of open containers or consumption of alcoholic beverages is not permitted at Parkside Aquatic Park or on any public ramps, docks or parking areas. 13.25.030.
- B. **Alcohol on Lagoon.** Possession and consumption of alcohol in or on Marina Lagoon is not allowed. 13.25.020 (F).

### Applicable State Regulations:

- C. **Under the Influence.** No boat or water ski or similar device may be operated while under the influence. H&N 655

## POWER BOATING REGULATIONS

### City Regulations Specific to Marina Lagoon:

- A. **Use and Speed Zones.** See map for allowed boating activity and daytime speed limits in each zone. 13.25.030.
- B. **Speed after Sunset.** Boating after sunset and until sunrise shall be restricted to 10 miles per hour, except in those zones where lower speeds are required. 13.25.050 (A).
- E. **Jet Skis Not Allowed.** No motorized ski-type craft in any zone. "Motorized ski-type craft" means any motorized personal water craft ridden by one or more persons that may be subject to being submerged in the water, including but not limited to jet skis. 13.25.035 (D).
- F. **Motor boat Racing is Prohibited.** 13.25.035 (H).

### Applicable State Regulations:

- G. **CF Numbers.** All boats powered by an engine (including inflatables)-regardless of engine size/type must be registered with a State and display numbers and a valid registration sticker. VC 9853.2, 4
- H. **PFDs.** All persons 12 years or younger must WEAR a USCG approved PFD at ALL times in boats. There must also be an approved lifejacket on board for all persons. An approved throwable device is required for vessels 16 feet and over, except canoes and kayaks. H&N 658.3.
- I. **Operator Age Limits.** The minimum age for the operator is 16 yrs. for a powerboat of greater than 15 hp unless the operator is 12-15 yrs old and there is an adult (18 yrs and older) onboard, attentive, and supervising the boat operation. H&N 658.5.
- J. **Direction of Travel.** Direction of travel is counter-clockwise, except for slalom ski course area.13.25.050 (1). CCR Title 14, 6600.1

K. **Reckless Operation.** You may not operate a boat, or manipulate any water skis or similar device in a reckless or negligent manner that endangers the life, limb, or property of any person. H&N 655 (a).

L. **Emergency Vessels.** Boaters must slow and not interfere with the operation of the Law Enforcement vessel operating with blue lights or siren. H&N 652.5

M. **Motor Boat Noise.** Boats shall observe the decibel noise limitations to allow the reasonable and peaceful enjoyment of adjacent residents by prevention of excessive or unusual noises. H&N 654.

N. **Required Equipment.** In addition to PFDs, all vessels must comply with safety equipment requirements, including fire extinguishers, backfire flame controls, ventilation, navigation lights for night operation, and visual and audible distress/warning equipment. CCR Title 14, 6573, 6574, 6575, 6600, 6692,

## WATER SKIING

### City Regulations Specific to Marina Lagoon:

- A. **Times Allowed.** Waterskiing activity shall not be permitted before sunrise and after sunset but in no case shall it be permitted before 6:00 a.m., Monday through Friday and 8:00 a.m., Saturday, Sunday and California State recognized holidays. 13.25.050 (A).
  - Ski Zones.** Water skiing is permitted in Zones A and E only. 13.25.035 (A).
  - C. **Non Powered Boats in Ski Areas.** Zones A & E are ski zones, BUT non-powered craft may traverse to get out of the zone. 13.25.035 (C).
  - D. **Distance from Docks and Shore.** No boat towing a water skier and no towed skier shall come closer than 50 feet to any dock or shoreline. 13.25.050 (B)
  - E. **Single Skiers only.** Only one skier may be towed at a time. 13.25.050 (C)
  - F. **No Beach or Dock Starts.** No skier shall launch from a dock or the beach. All launching shall be from the water only. 13.25.050 (D).
  - G. **Tow Line Length.** No skier shall be towed at a distance greater than 75 feet from the boat. 13.25.050 (E).
  - H. **Ski Boat Operator/Observer.** Boats towing water skiers should be operated by an adult (18 year or older) and shall have an additional person on board of at least 12 years of age as an observer. 13.25.050 (F).
  - I. **Temporary Skiing Restriction.** Water skiing activity may be temporarily restricted, or prohibited, by the Police or Harbor Patrol in the interest of safety of Lagoon users. 13.25.020 (H).
  - J. **Towed Devices.** Towing of inner tubes, air mattresses, surfboards, and similar devices not designed for skiing activity is prohibited. 13.25.050 (H).
  - K. **Ski Direction.** Boats in the skiing zones shall travel to the right of mid-channel and turn in a counter-clockwise direction. 13.25.050 (I).
  - L. **Ski Turns.** Skiers shall remain within the wake whenever the boat is executing a turn of 90 degrees or greater. 13.25.050 (J).
  - M. **Obstacles.** Ramps, jumps, markers, buoys, stakes, or similar obstacles may NOT be permanently or temporarily placed or used in Marina Lagoon. 13.25.020 (E).
  - N. **Slalom Ski Course Rules.** Slalom course skiing is permitted only on City approved courses, and in accordance with posted rules of use. 13.25.050 (G).
    - a. Slalom course skiing only in designated area of Zone E.
    - b. Only 1 boat at a time may use slalom course.
    - c. Non-skiers stay out of slalom area when in use.
    - d. Three falls or three passes when other skiers are waiting.
    - e. When waiting for course use, queue up on white mooring buoy at north end of slalom area and turn engine off.
- ### Applicable State Regulations:
- P. **Ski Boat Operator Age.** Boats towing water skiers must be operated by an adult (18 years or older) and shall have an additional person on board of at least 12 years of age as an observer. H&N 658
  - Q. **Ski Flag.** Ski Flag use is required any time a skier, ski, or tow line is in the water. H&N 658.7
  - R. **Reckless Operation.** Skiers may not operate water skis, aquaplanes, or similar devices so as to endanger other persons or property. H&N 658(e)

## NON-MOTORIZED BOATING (Sail, or Vessels Powered by Oars or Paddles.)

### City Regulations Specific to Marina Lagoon

- A. **Sailing Areas.** Sail or hand-powered vessels will be permitted in all zones pursuant to restriction for Zones A and E below. 13.25.035
- B. **Traversing in Zone A & E.** It is unlawful to operate a vessel by sail or hand power in Zones A and E except that residents of property on the Shoreline in Zone A & E may traverse that zone directly en route to or from the resident's dock or launching ramp to or from a Zone where operation of vessels under sail or and power is permitted. 13.25.035 (C).
- C. **Stay Near Shore.** It is unlawful in Zone A & E for any person to operate a vessel under sail or hand power farther than fifty (50) feet from a dock, way or landing float on either side of the lagoon.13.25.035 (E)
- D. **Mooring/docking.** No overnight docking except at private docks with encroachment permits. 13.25.020 (A)

### Applicable State Regulations:

- F. **PFDs.** All persons 12 years or younger must WEAR a USCG approved PFD at ALL times in boats. There must also be an approved lifejacket on board for all persons. An approved throwable device is required for vessels 16 feet and over, except canoes and kayaks. H&N 658.3.
- G. **CF Numbers.** Sailboats over 8 ft. must be registered and numbered by the State. Sailboats under 8 feet and boats propelled solely by oars or paddles do not require CF numbers. Sailboards are exempt from numbering. VC 9853 (e).

## SWIMMING

- A. **Public Swim Areas.** No person shall swim, scuba dive or skin dive in Marina Lagoon except within the designated buoyed swimming areas at any public park, beach, or playground. 13.25.035 (G). The public swim area is located at Parkside Aquatic Park. **No lifeguard is provided.**
- B. **Private Swim Areas.** Swimming at individual residences shall be confined to areas not beyond the ends of each dock but in no case, further than 25 feet from the shoreline. 13.25.035 (G)
- C. **No Swimming Zones.** It is unlawful to swim in zones F & G. 13.25.035 (G)

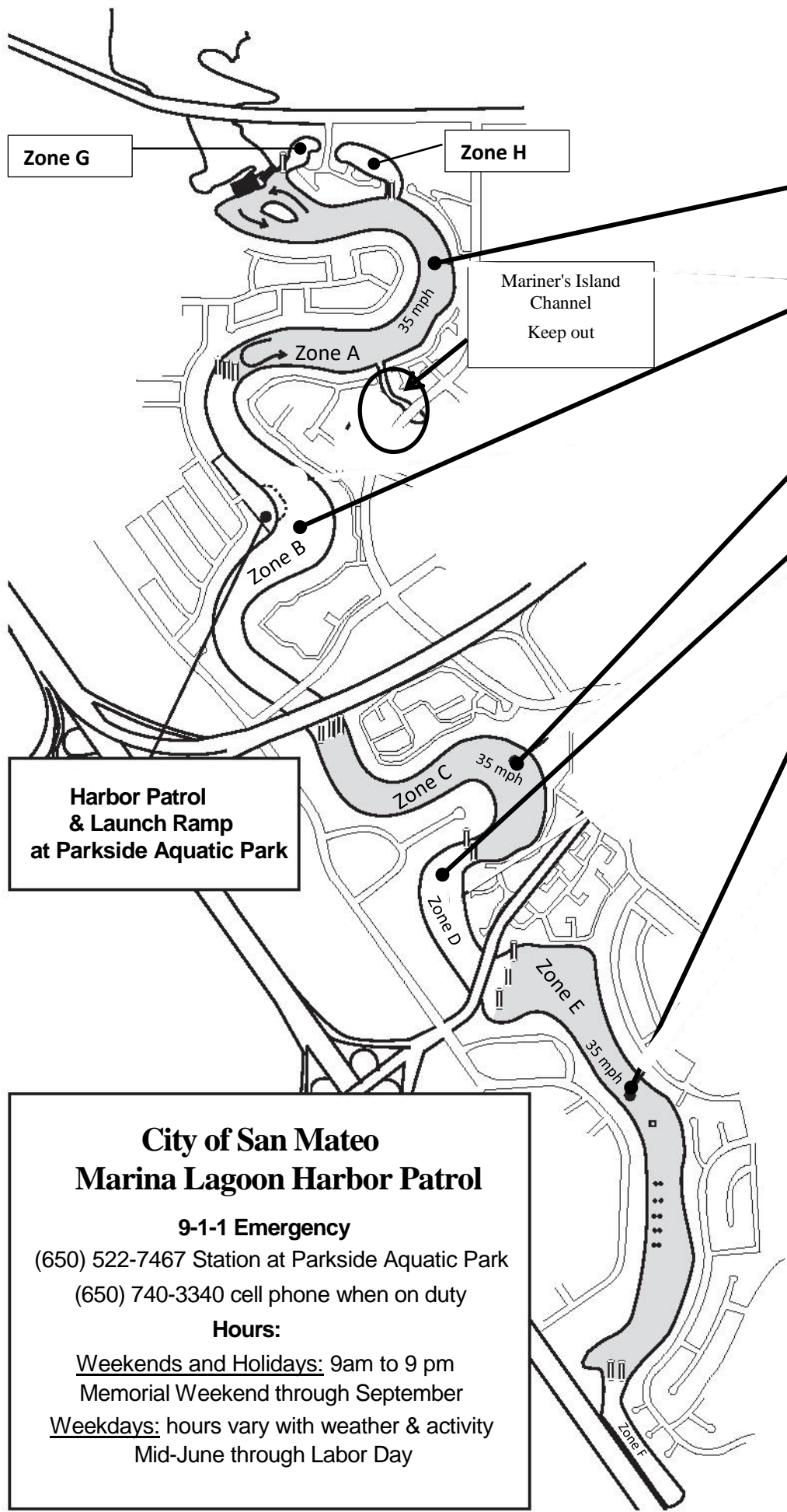
## FISHING AND WILDLIFE

- A. **Fishing areas.** No person shall fish in Marina Lagoon except in Zones B, C, D, and F, or where specifically posted by the City. 13.25.035 (F).
- B. **Swim Areas.** No fishing shall be permitted in any swimming areas marked and designated by the City. 13.25.035 (F)
- C. **Trolling.** No troll fishing shall be permitted. 13.25.035 (F)

## Safe Boating is No Accident!

### Boating Safety & Rules Information online:

**US Coast Guard:** [www.uscgboating.org](http://www.uscgboating.org)  
**US Coast Guard Auxiliary:** [www.cgaux.org/](http://www.cgaux.org/)  
**US Coast Guard Auxiliary (Nor Cal):** [www.uscgaux-d11nr.org/](http://www.uscgaux-d11nr.org/)  
**Float Plans:** [www.uscgaux.org/~floatplan/](http://www.uscgaux.org/~floatplan/)  
**California Department of Boating & Waterways:** [www.dbw.ca.gov/boating.htm](http://www.dbw.ca.gov/boating.htm)  
**City of San Mateo Ordinances:** [www.cityofsanmateo.org/dept/codes/ch13-08.ht](http://www.cityofsanmateo.org/dept/codes/ch13-08.ht)



**Marina Lagoon Zones**

**Zone A:** From the dam near 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue south to the posted point opposite the prolongation of Harrison Avenue. **Power boating and water skiing zone. 35 mph limit.**

**Zone B:** From the end of Zone A to a point 500 feet south of the exiting Highway 92/ Fashion Island overpass. **All boats. No wake. 5 mph or less.**

**Zone C:** From the end of Zone B to a posted point approximately 400 feet north of Lakeshore Park and Beach. **All boats, no skiing. 35 mph**

**Zone D:** From the end of Zone C to a point approx. 200 feet south of Hillsdale Blvd bridge. **Sailing area. No skiing, power boats traverse only. No wake 5 mph or less.**

**Zone E:** From the end of Zone D to a posted point oblique to the prolongation of 40<sup>th</sup> Avenue. **Power boating and water skiing. Other craft traverse only. 35 mph**

**Zone F:** From a posted point at the end of Zone E to the end of the lagoon. **Hand and sail powered vessels only. Fishing permitted, no swimming. No wake, less than 3 mph.**

**Zone G:** Northern-most cove. Open to all craft. **No swimming. No wake. Less than 3mph**

**Zone H:** South cove at the northern end of the Marina Lagoon. **Open to all craft. Fishing permitted, no swimming. No wake. Less than 3mph**

**Harbor Patrol & Launch Ramp at Parkside Aquatic Park**

**City of San Mateo  
Marina Lagoon Harbor Patrol**

**9-1-1 Emergency**  
(650) 522-7467 Station at Parkside Aquatic Park  
(650) 740-3340 cell phone when on duty

**Hours:**  
Weekends and Holidays: 9am to 9 pm  
Memorial Weekend through September  
Weekdays: hours vary with weather & activity  
Mid-June through Labor Day

**CALIFORNIA BOATING CARD**

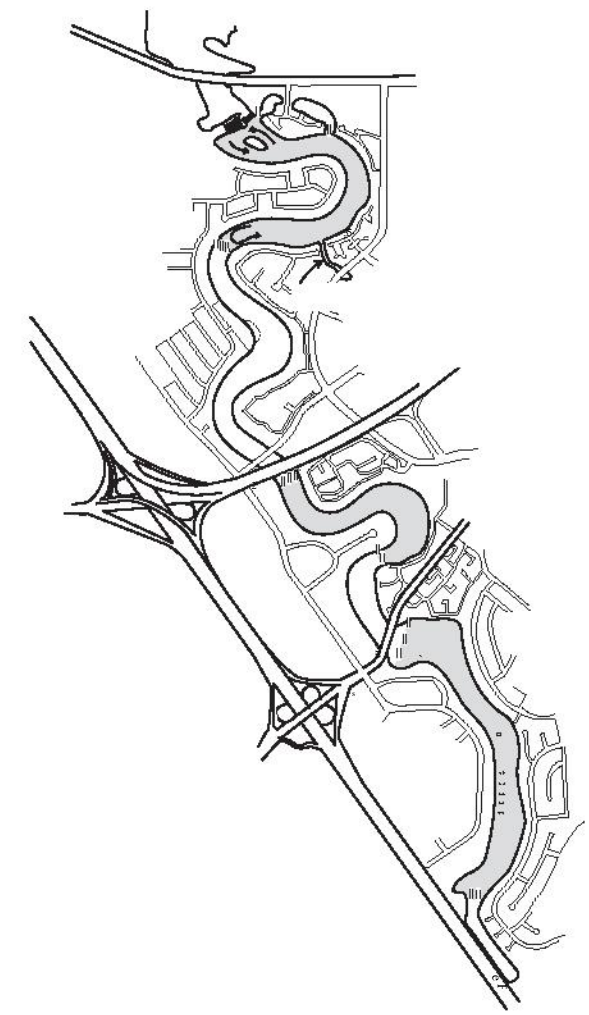
Beginning January 1, 2018, the mandatory boating safety education law goes into effect and will be phased in by age. If you operate any type of motorized vessel on California waterways (including powered sailboats/paddle craft), you will be required to pass an approved boating safety examination and carry a lifetime California Boater Card. California Harbors and Navigation Code Section 678.11(b) contains the following phase-in schedule based on operator age:

- January 1, 2018 Persons 20 years of age or younger
- January 1, 2019 Persons 25 years of age or younger
- January 1, 2020 Persons 35 years of age or younger
- January 1, 2021 Persons 40 years of age or younger
- January 1, 2022 Persons 45 years of age or younger
- January 1, 2023 Persons 50 years of age or younger
- January 1, 2024 Persons 60 years of age or younger
- January 1, 2025 All persons regardless of age



City of San Mateo Parks and Recreation

**Marina Lagoon Boating & Recreation Guide**



*Please Note: Material in this guide has been summarized for ease of use and quick reference of boaters. A complete text of regulations for use of Marina Lagoon and the ABCs of California Boating Law are available at no charge, upon request, from the Parks and Recreation Department, 330 W. 20th Avenue, San Mateo, CA 94403. (650) 522-7400 or the Marina Lagoon Harbor Patrol.*