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WATERS AND WATERCRAFT SAFETY 361.085

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361.041 Watercraft safety program; operators.

[For text of subd 1, see M.S.1974]

Subd. 2. Operator's permit. Except as provided in this subdivision, no person 13 years of age or over but less than 18 years of age may operate a motorboat powered by a motor over 24 horsepower without possessing a valid watercraft operator's permit from Minnesota or from the operator's state of residence, unless there is a person 18 years of age or over in the motorboat. The commissioner shall establish an educational course and a testing program for watercraft operators and for persons 13 years of age or over but less than 18 years of age required to take the watercraft safety course. The commissioner shall issue a watercraft operator's permit to a person 13 years of age or over but less than 18 years of age who successfully completes the educational program and the written test which the commissioner shall prescribe.

[1975 c 322 s 1]

[For text of subd 3, see M.S.1974]

361.085 Scuba diving; flags required.

All persons who swim in any waters of the state, except in legally designated swimming areas, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1974, Section 361.08, while wearing or carrying any apparatus, except a snorkel not attached to any artificial container of oxygen, permitting him to breathe while under water, shall display a diver's flag above the surface of the water and:

- (a) No more than four divers shall dive under one flag.
- (b) Every person who places a diver's flag shall remain within 50 feet of the flag, measured on the surface of the water.
- (c) No person shall place a diver's flag where it will obstruct navigation.
- (d) If a group of divers is operating in a contained area, the perimeter shall be marked and shall be outside of the normal area of navigation. The markings shall consist of the official diver's flag and shall be placed on the perimeter of the diving area at intervals not exceeding 150 feet.
- (e) A diver's flag shall measure at least 15 inches horizontally and 12 inches vertically, and both sides shall have a red-colored background bisected diagonally by a three inch wide white stripe having its upper end adjacent to the flagstaff.
- (f) A diver's flag shall be displayed in a vertical plane extended from a rigid flagstaff equipped to maintain the upper edge of the flag at least 30 inches above the water surface.
- (g) A diver's flag may be reflectorized or fluorescent provided the entire surface is uniformly reflectorized or fluorescent.
- (h) A diver's flag may be anchored or secured to the bottom when a safety hazard would result from towing the flag.

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(i) If at the discretion of the diver it would be safer and more visible, the flag may be displayed on a watercraft. When the flag is displayed on the watercraft, the craft must be at anchor or, if not at anchor, attended by a diver or a person appointed by the diver to tend the craft. Only watercraft displaying an official diver's flag are authorized in the diving area.

[1975 c 58 s 1]

361.09 Towing person on water skis or other device.

[For text of subd 1, see M.S.1974]

Subd. 2. No person shall be towed, or shall operate a watercraft towing a person on water skis, aqua-plane, surfboard, saucer or other device on any waters of this state at any time from one hour after sunset to sunrise of the day following.

[1975 c 322 s 2]

361.27 Boat and water safety account; fines and forfeited bail money.

Subdivision 1. All license fees received under sections 361.01 to 361.28 shall be deposited in the state treasury and credited to the general fund for the purpose of boat and water safety. Not exceeding 75 percent of such moneys may be paid to such counties and in such amount as the commissioner may determine and be used to defray the expenses of enforcement of the provisions of sections 361.01 to 361.28 and the expenses of a county sponsored or administered watercraft and swimming safety instructional program.

[1975 c 322 s 3]

[For text of subd 2, see M.S.1974]

CHAPTER 362. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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[For text of subds 1 and 2, see M.S.1974]

Subd. 3. A commission of 21 members to act in an advisory capacity to the commissioner is created. Members thereof shall be appointed by the commissioner, two from each congressional district and five from the state at large, for terms to coincide with the term of the governor. The commissioner shall appoint the chairman of the commission. The commission shall organize and elect from among its members such other officers as it may deem necessary. The commission shall meet at the call of the chairman or the commissioner. The commission shall expire and the terms, compensation, and removal of members shall be as provided by section 15.059.

[1975 c 315 s 22]

[For text of subd 4, see M.S.1974]

CHAPTER 363. DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS

Sec.
363.02 Exemptions.

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363.03 Unfair discriminatory practices.

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[For text of subds 1 to 4, see M.S.1974]