

# ATTENTION WAKEBOARDERS & WAKESURFERS!

## New Law Impacting Wakeboarding and Wakesurfing

### Who is affected?

Wakeboarders, wakesurfers, and boat operators participating in both sports

### What does the law regulate?

- **Distance Restrictions:** The law states that no person shall engage in wakesurfing or wakeboarding on state waters within 200 feet of any moored vessel; any wharf, dock, pier, piling, or bridge structure or abutment; or any shoreline adjacent to a full-time or part-time residence, public park, public beach, public swimming area, marina, restaurant, or other public use area
- **Mandatory Life Jacket (PFDs):** All wakeboarders and wakesurfers must wear a U.S. Coast Guard-approved life jacket at all times while participating in these activities
- No wakeboarding or wakesurfing between sunset and sunrise.



### Are there any exceptions to the law?

- The law does not apply to a regatta, boat race, marine parade, tournament, or exhibition for which the Georgia DNR Commissioner has granted a marine event permit
- It also does not apply on Intracoastal waterways, rivers, or private lakes

### Does the law affect the current 100-foot law?

- The law does not change the 100-foot law, which applies to all vessels

### Does the law change any laws or regulations related to No Wake Zones?

- The law has no effect on No Wake Zones, which require all vessels to slow to idle speed while traversing them

