

Chattanooga Jet Ski Club
Rules – Responsibilities - Guidelines
IMPORTANT TO KNOW:

Welcome,

Please read the following thoroughly, it has important information concerning the rules and regulations that we are required to follow per TWRA. We ask that you please help us to protect the permit.

First, we emphasize this is not a race event. There are no entry fees, no prize monies, or monetary exchanges that could be construed as competitive based. This area provides a protected space for riding buoys, away from navigable waters and swimming locations. To clarify and not be misconstrued, as per TCA 69-9-21, this is NOT a regatta, race, or commercial spectator type event. There are no entry fees or prizes awarded. These gatherings are for recreational purposes only.

We have a comprehensive waiver which is valid until the end of summer, it includes **Saturdays and Wednesdays only AND during the time period from 8:00 am until 5:00 pm and 4:00 pm and Sunset respectively.** The course area will be marked by **green/white buoys.**

Absolutely no riders, except those setting the course will be allowed on the water until the green/white outer safety marker buoys are in place. After placement of the safety buoys, a green flag will be posted to indicate that the course is open. Once the outer boundary buoys are in place, riders are asked to help continually monitor the boundaries to ensure there are no encroachments by boats, non-participating PWC, or persons.

If a rider is found to be on the water before or after the designated times, a warning will be issued, a second notification will result in the rider being suspended for the rest of the season. Please understand, if no one is at the location and the green/white safety buoys

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are not in place along with a copy of the permit, there is **NO** ride for that day. Attempting to ride without the permit or buoys jeopardizes the permit.

A. SIGNAL FLAGS

Flag signals are used to designate specific times or to give instructions to riders. The flags and their purposes are as follows:

GREEN– Course is open, riders permitted on the course.

BLACK– Course is closed, no riders on the course.

The black flag shall be put in place to clear riders for removal of the course. Again, the exception will be those removing buoys. Once the course is closed and removed, no riders will be allowed to continue riding in the course area.

Also, the black flag may be used in case of emergency, to shut the course down if a non-authorized watercraft or person encroaches into the ride area, etc. The goal is not to arbitrarily throw the flag out. Please be mindful that if you see it, please come to the shore.

B. RIDE COURSE

The outer ride course marker safety buoys, consisting of green and white stripes, shall be set and monitored in order to keep non-participating watercraft and persons clear of the ride area. The course ride marker buoys will consist of red/orange and yellow colors.

C. PERMISSIONS

The City of Soddy Daisy and the City Manager indicated that since it is a public park, we do not need a permit to operate in the area we use as a “pit area.” As the park area is public, **we must follow local laws concerning alcohol and responsibilities of usage...**

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in other words, we will do our absolute best to leave the area better than we found it, which includes the park and the surrounding shoreline.

The ride area limits us to the types of skis that may be utilized. Only sport class skis, stand-ups, and certain older model "2-seater" skis may be ridden. These include Waveblasters, HX, Hurricanes, Stand-ups, Seadoo X4 models (SP, SPi, SPX, XP), and Sparks. Large runabouts are not authorized. Please feel free to message us with any questions.

SAFETY RULES

1. A helmet and PFD is required!
2. All PWCs must be registered!
3. Follow park rules.
4. The rider assumes all responsibility for injury to others or self, at NO time does the club assume or bear the burden of financial responsibility.
5. Riding poses special risks to people with neck or back problems, heart conditions, anyone who is pregnant, anyone who should not be in a stressful or physically demanding environment. If you have any doubt, please check with your doctor before riding.
6. No "intentional contact". Anyone displaying aggression (physical or verbal) towards other riders will be asked to leave the premises.
7. The rider releases the Chattanooga Jet Ski Club for responsibility from damage/theft to watercraft/trailers/equipment.

***** PLEASE NOTE: AS PER TWRA, NO UNREGISTERED SKIS WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE WATER. UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS NOT OUR POLICY BUT MANDATED BY TWRA. THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS! *****

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I have read the Rules – Responsibilities – Guidelines and agree to follow the requirements.

Name

Date

Address

Phone Number and Email Address

Emergency Contact Info (Name and Phone Number)

Signature

Adults \$50 (ages 15 and up)
Juniors \$20 (ages 14 and below)

Membership Fee Paid - Date: _____ Initials: _____