

Rhode River

The Secretary of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources proposes to amend/add Regulation .01 - .03 under COMAR 08.18.22 The purpose of this action is to update and clarify existing boating laws and coordinates of certain boundaries. This will ensure safe boating on Maryland's waterways.

Items in [parenthesis] are being deleted; items in *italics* are being added.

Title 08

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Subtitle 18 BOATING — SPEED LIMITS AND OPERATION OF VESSELS

Chapter 22 Rhode River

Authority: Natural Resources Article, §§8-703, 8-704 and 8-725.2, Annotated Code of Maryland

.01 Rhode River.

The Rhode River encompasses all the waters of the Rhode River and its tributaries westerly of a line [from Lat. 38°51'47.46"N., Long. 76°31'10.42"W., running 050° True to the opposite shore, Lat. 38°52'11.05"N., Long. 76°30'34.50"W.]*beginning at Cheston Point, at or near Lat. 38° 51.792' N., Long. 76° 31.190' W., then running 51° (True) to a point, at or near Lat. 38° 52.183' N., Long. 76° 30.575' W.*

.02 Bear Neck Creek.

Bear Neck Creek encompasses the area beginning at a point, [Lat. 38°53'14.47"N., Long. 76°31'37.59"W., a line running 066° True to the opposite shore, Lat. 38°53'19.05"N., Long. 76°31'24.44"W.,]*at or near Lat. 38° 53.247' N., Long. 76° 31.623' W., then running 64° (True) to a point, at or near Lat. 38° 53.325' N., Long. 76° 31.422' W.,* and running to the head of the creek, including Whitemarsh Creek. This area has a 6-knot [(6.9 MPH)] speed limit Saturdays, Sundays, and State holidays, all year.

.03 Cadle Creek.

Cadle Creek encompasses the area beginning at a point, [Lat. 38°52'52.20"N., Long. 76°30'59.53"W., a line running 135°. True to the opposite shore, Lat. 38°52'46.59"N., Long. 76°30'52.22"W.,]*at or near Lat. 38° 52.872' N., Long. 76° 30.992' W., then running 135° (True) to a point, at or near Lat. 38° 52.777' N., Long. 76° 30.872' W.,* and running to the head of the creek. This area has a 6-knot [(6.9 MPH)] speed limit Saturdays, Sundays, and State holidays, all year.

The proposed regulation will appear in the Maryland Register on Friday April 14, 2014, comments concerning this regulation will be accepted through Monday May 5, 2014. The regulation will be adopted on Tuesday May 20, 2014 and become effective on Monday June 9, 2014.

Comments may be sent to Michael Grant, Regulations Coordinator, Boating Services, Clean Waterways, Facilities and Regulations Division, Maryland Department of Natural Resources, 580 Taylor Avenue, E-4, Annapolis, MD 21401, or call 410-260-8013, or fax to 410-260-8453, or e-mail to Michael.Grant@maryland.gov

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