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**Vessels and Persons using City Waters** - For the purpose of establishing noise level standards for vessels on City waters; and establishing swimming and water skiing restrictions for persons using City waters.

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
City of Annapolis**

**Ordinance 32-20**

**Introduced by: Alderwoman Tierney**

**Co-sponsored by:**

**Referred to  
Environmental Matters Committee**

**AN ORDINANCE** concerning

**Vessels and Persons using City Waters**

**FOR** the purpose of establishing noise level standards for vessels on City waters; and establishing swimming and water skiing restrictions for persons using City waters.

**BY** repealing and re-enacting with amendments the following portions of the Code of the City of Annapolis, 2020 Edition  
15.06.030  
15.06.040

**SECTION I: BE IT ESTABLISHED AND ORDAINED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that the Code of the City of Annapolis shall be amended to read as follows:

**Title 15 - HARBORS AND WATERFRONT AREAS**

**Chapter 15.06 - RULES FOR VESSELS AND PERSONS USING CITY WATERS AND SHORES**

**Section 15.06.030 - Excessive noise.**

City Code Section ~~11.12.020, Disturbing the peace~~ ~~Noise prohibition~~, shall apply in and on that portion of City waters which is subject to a six miles per hour speed limit. This section shall not apply to the sound of the engine of a vessel when the engine is started, idling or running; however, it shall apply to the repetitive revving sounds from the engine.

The noise level standards established by the State of Maryland in the Maryland Annotated Code, as may be

amended, and any related regulations, shall apply in and on all City waters.

**Section - 15.06.040 - Swimming and water skiing ~~prohibited~~.**

~~A person may not water ski in the water within Market Slip and within one hundred fifty feet of any portion of Susan Campbell Park. A person may not swim in the water within Market Slip and within one hundred fifty feet of any portion of Susan Campbell Park without the prior approval of the Harbormaster.~~

A. A person may not swim in the water within Market Slip and within 150 feet of any portion of Susan Campbell Park without the prior approval of the Harbormaster.

B. The water skiing restrictions established by the State of Maryland in the Maryland Annotated Code, as may be amended, and any related regulations, shall apply in and on all City waters.

**SECTION II: AND BE IT FURTHER ESTABLISHED AND ORDAINED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that this ordinance shall take effect from the date of its passage.

**Explanation:**

UPPERCASE indicates matter added to existing law.

~~Strikethrough~~ indicates matter stricken from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments.