

Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 1501:47-5-03 Use of outboard motors and power boats on wildlife areas. Effective: November 1, 2022

(A) No person shall operate (start/run) or permit the operation of a powercraft, other than a powercraft propelled by an electric motor, on the following water areas under the management authority of the division of wildlife.

Barnesville reservoir #2	Belmont county
Barnesville reservoir #3	Belmont county
Barnesville reservoir #4	Belmont county
Belmont lake	Belmont county
Big Island wildlife area	Marion county
Circleville canal	Pickaway county
Cooper hollow wildlife area	Jackson county
Darke wildlife area	Darke county
Deer creek lake	Stark county
Deer creek wildlife area	Pickaway, Madison and Fayette counties
Delaware wildlife area	Delaware, Morrow and Marion countries
Grand river wildlife area	Trumbull county
Hammertown lake wildlife area (Jackson city reservoir)	Jackson county
Hebron canal	Licking and Fairfield counties
Indian creek wildlife area	Brown county
Ismond pond	Columbiana county
Lake Vesuvius	Lawrence county
Miller blue hole	Sandusky county
New Lexington city reservoir	Perry county
Oberlin reservoir	Lorain county
Oldaker pond wildlife area	Highland county
Orwell pond wildlife area	Ashtabula county
Ottoville quarry wildlife area	Putnam county
Pleasant valley wildlife area	Ross county



Ruff pond wildlife area	Columbiana county
Spring valley wildlife area	Warren county
Timbre Ridge lake	Lawrence county
Tranquility wildlife area	Adams county
Wallace H. O'Dowd wildlife area	Athens county
Walhonding canal	Coshocton county
Waterloo wildlife area	Athens county
Wellington reservoir	Lorain county
Wolf creek wildlife area	Morgan county
Woodbury wildlife area	Coshocton county

(B) On the following water areas, the presence of any portable or external liquid fuel container or any outboard motor, other than an electric motor, is prohibited. No person shall operate (start/run) or permit the operation of any watercraft propelled by an inboard or outboard motor other than an electric motor:

East Branch reservoir	Geauga county
LaDue reservoir	Geauga county
Mogadore reservoir	Portage county

(C) No person shall operate (start/run) or permit to be operated a powercraft propelled by a motor, or combination of motors, with a horsepower rating in excess of ten horsepower on the waters of the following areas:

Appalachian Hills wildlife area	Morgan, Muskingum and Noble counties
Clark lake	Clark county
Clouse lake	Perry county
Fox lake	Athens county
Grant lake	Brown county
Greenfield lake wildlife area	Fairfield county
Highlandtown lake wildlife area	Columbiana county
Kokosing lake	Knox county
Jesse Owens wildlife area	Morgan county



Jockey Hollow wildlife area	Harrison county
Monroe lake	Monroe county
Rockmill wildlife area	Fairfield county
Rush creek reservoir	Fairfield and Perry counties
Rush Run lake	Preble county
Veto lake	Washington county
Zepernick lake wildlife area	Columbiana county

(D) No person shall operate (start/run) or permit to be operated a powercraft propelled by a motor, or combination of motors, exceeding a horsepower rating of ten horsepower, unless any such powercraft equipped with motors in excess of ten horsepower are operated at idle speed or at a speed that does not create a wake on the following water areas:

Knox lake	Knox county
Rupert lake	Vinton county

(E) No person shall operate (start/run) or permit to be operated any powercraft on the waters of the following areas, unless the powercraft is operated at idle speed and does not create a wake:

Aldrich pond wildlife area	Sandusky county
Aquilla lake wildlife area	Geauga county
Fallsville wildlife area	Highland county
Fulton ponds wildlife area	Fulton county
Killdeer Plains wildlife area	Wyandot county
La Su An wildlife area	Williams county
New Lyme lake	Ashtabula county
Oxbow lake wildlife area	Defiance county
Resthaven wildlife area	Erie county
Ross lake wildlife area	Ross county
St. Joseph river wildlife area	Williams county
Shreve lake	Wayne county
Spencer lake	Medina county
Tycoon lake wildlife area	Gallia county



Wayne R. Carr lake	Paulding county
Wingfoot lake	Portage county

(F) No person shall operate (start/run) or permit to be operated an electric motor exceeding four horsepower to propel a vessel on or within any water area under the management authority of the division of wildlife.

(G) No person shall operate (start/run) or permit to be operated a motor, or combination of motors, exceeding a horsepower rating in excess of ten horsepower on any body of water on the American electric power recreation area.

(H) Nothing in this rule shall prohibit vessels with higher horsepower motors from being present on these waters provided they comply with paragraphs (A), (B), (C), (D), (F), and (G) of this rule.

(I) No person shall operate (start/run), use, or permit to be operated or used, any watercraft on Barnesville reservoir no. 1.