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COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 516**

EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

**Section 1.** NAC 488.415 is hereby amended to read as follows:

1. Each power-driven vessel having:
  - (a) A closed compartment under a thwart or seat wherein a portable fuel tank may be stored;
  - (b) A double bottom which is not sealed to the hull or which is not completely filled with flotation material;
  - (c) A closed living space;
  - (d) A closed storage compartment in which combustible or flammable material is stored; or
  - (e) A permanently installed fuel tank,

→ must carry the type and number of fire extinguishers described in subsections ~~[2 and 3]~~ *2,3,4 and 5* each of which must be *readily accessible* fully charged and *maintained in good and serviceable condition, and not appear to have been previously used.*
2. Each power-driven vessel *model year 2018 and newer* which lacks a system built within its engine compartment for extinguishing a fire and which is a:
  - (a) Class A or class 1 vessel must carry one ~~[B-I]~~ *5-B* fire extinguisher.
  - (b) Class 2 vessel must carry two ~~[B-I]~~ *5-B* fire extinguishers or one ~~B-II~~ *20-B* fire extinguisher.
  - (c) Class 3 vessel must carry:
    - (1) Three ~~[B-I]~~ *5-B* fire extinguishers; or
    - (2) One ~~[B-I]~~ *5-B* and one ~~[B-II]~~ *20-B* fire extinguisher.
3. *Each power-driven vessel model year 2017 and older which lacks a system built within its engine compartment for extinguishing a fire and which is a:*
  - (a) *Class A or class 1 vessel must carry one 5-B (or serviceable B-I) fire extinguisher.*
  - (b) *Class 2 vessel must carry two 5-B (or serviceable B-I) fire extinguishers or one 20-B (or serviceable B-II) fire extinguisher.*
  - (c) *Class 3 vessel must carry:*
    - (1) *Three 5-B (or serviceable B-I) fire extinguishers; or*

***(2) One 5-B (or serviceable B-I) and one 20-B (or serviceable B-II) fire extinguisher.***

4.~~[3]~~ Each power-driven vessel ***model year 2018 and newer*** which has a system built within its engine compartment for extinguishing a fire and which is a:

- (a) Class A or class 1 vessel is not required to carry a portable fire extinguisher.
- (b) Class 2 vessel must carry one ~~[B-I]~~ ***5-B*** fire extinguisher.
- (c) Class 3 vessel must carry two ~~[B-I]~~***5-B*** fire extinguishers or one ~~[B-II]~~ ***20-B*** fire extinguisher.

***5. Each power-driven vessel model year 2017 and older which has a system built within its engine compartment for extinguishing a fire and which is a:***

- (a) Class A or class 1 vessel is not required to carry a portable fire extinguisher.***
- (b) Class 2 vessel must carry one 5-B (or serviceable B-I) fire extinguisher.***
- (c) Class 3 vessel must carry two 5-B (or serviceable B-I) fire extinguishers or one 20-B (or serviceable B-II) fire extinguisher.***

***6. Mechanically propelled personal hydrofoils and motorized surfboards are exempt from the requirements of subsection 1.***

7.~~[4]~~ The classes of vessels identified in this section are as described in NRS 488.185.

8.~~[5]~~ For the purposes of this section:

- (a) “B-I fire extinguisher” means a portable marine extinguisher containing at least:
  - (1) One and one-quarter gallons of a concentrated liquid foam;
  - (2) Two pounds of a dry chemical, fire extinguishing agent; or
  - (3) Four pounds of carbon dioxide; and
- (b) “B-II fire extinguisher” means a portable marine extinguisher containing at least:
  - (1) Two and one-half gallons of a concentrated liquid foam;
  - (2) Ten pounds of a dry chemical, fire extinguishing agent; or
  - (3) Fifteen pounds of carbon dioxide.
- (c) “5-B fire extinguisher” means a portable marine extinguisher that can effectively handle a flammable liquids fire covering up to 5 square feet.***
- (d) “20-B fire extinguisher” means a portable marine extinguisher that can effectively handle a flammable liquids fire covering up to 20 square feet.***

**Section 2.** NAC 488.435 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Each of the following acts endangers life, limb or property and constitutes prima facie evidence of reckless or negligent operation of a vessel:

1. On a power-driven vessel underway at a speed greater than *a speed that leaves a flat wake, or in excess of* 5 nautical miles per hour, *while* riding on the:
  - (a) Bow;
  - (b) Gunwale;
  - (c) Transom;
  - (d) Outboard engine cover; or
  - (e) Inboard engine cover unless the person's feet are touching the deck.
2. Maneuvering a towed skier or device so as to pass the towline over another vessel or its skier.
3. Navigating any vessel, skis or device between a towing vessel and its tow.
4. Operating a power-driven vessel while any person is hanging onto, or sitting, standing or riding on, a swim platform or a swim ladder that is attached to the power-driven vessel.
5. Operating a power-driven vessel at a speed greater than a speed that leaves a flat wake within 100 feet of an anchored or moored vessel, a person engaged in angling from another vessel or any manually propelled vessel.

**Section 3.** R082-23, NAC 488.455, is hereby amended to read as follows:

1. On the following waters, a vessel must be operated at a speed that leaves a flat wake, but in no case may a vessel be operated at a speed in excess of 5 nautical miles per hour:

<u>Waters</u>	<u>County</u>
(a) Bassett Lake .....	White Pine
(b) Cave Lake .....	White Pine
(c) Jakes Creek Reservoir .....	Elko
(d) Onion Valley Reservoir .....	Humboldt
(e) Wayne E. Kirch Wildlife Management Area.....	Nye

- (f) The lagoon south of Laughlin within sec. 33, T. 32 S., R. 66  
E., M.D.B. & M., as marked with signs or buoys, or both ..... Clark
- (g) Likes Lake..... Churchill
- (h) The Pitt Taylor Arm of Rye Patch Reservoir..... Pershing
- (i) Illipah Reservoir..... White Pine
- (j) Mason Valley Wildlife Management Area ..... Lyon
- (k) Upper Wall Canyon Reservoir ..... Washoe
- (l) Echo Canyon Reservoir ..... Lincoln
- (m) Silver Creek Reservoir ..... White Pine
- (n) Key Pittman Wildlife Management Area ..... Lincoln
- (o) Colorado River, the backwater south of Big Bend of the  
Colorado State Recreation Area within sec. 5, T. 33 S., R. 66  
E., M.D.B. & M., as marked with signs or buoys, or both ..... Clark
- (p) Jiggs Reservoir..... Elko

2. All boat harbors and other areas designated by buoys on any of the following waters are zones in which a vessel must be operated at a speed that leaves a flat wake, but in no case may a vessel be operated at a speed in excess of 5 nautical miles per hour:

<u>Waters</u>	<u>County</u>
(a) Lake Mead National Recreation Area.....	Clark
(b) South Fork Reservoir .....	Clark
(c) Wildhorse Reservoir .....	Elko

	<i>Carson Douglas</i>
(d) Lake Tahoe, <i>within 600 feet of all Nevada shorelines</i> .....	<i>Washoe</i>
Zephyr Cove.....	Douglas
Cave Rock.....	Douglas
Glenbrook Bay .....	Douglas
Round Hill Pines Beach.....	Douglas
Sand Harbor .....	Washoe
Incline Village General Improvement District Boat Ram .....	Washoe
Crystal Shores West.....	Washoe
(e) Washoe Lake State Park .....	Washoe
County Boat Ramp.....	Washoe
(f) Walker Lake State Recreation Area.....	Mineral
Sportsmen’s Beach.....	Mineral
(g) Lahontan Reservoir, Churchill Beach.....	Churchill
North Shore Marina .....	Churchill
Silver Springs Beach.....	Lyon
(h) Rye Patch Reservoir, Rye Patch Dam Access .....	Pershing
(i) Topaz Lake, Boat Ramps.....	Douglas
(j) Colorado River, adjacent to Harrah’s Casino in Laughlin.....	Clark
(k) Big Bend of the Colorado State Recreation Area, the lagoon used for launching boats .....	Clark