Chester River

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 08 Chester River

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.01 Chester River.

A. The Chester River encompasses all the waters of the Chester River and its tributaries easterly of a line [from Lat. 39°02'22.65"N., Long. 76°18'06.95"W., running 077° True to the opposite shore, Lat. 39°03'10.44"N., Long. 76°13'35.10"W.] beginning at a point, at or near Lat. 39° 2.38' N., Long. 76° 18.12' W., then running 77° (True) to a point, at or near Lat. 39° 3.17' N., Long. 76° 13.583' W.

[B. The Chester River Yacht Club area encompasses a line beginning at a point at or near Lat. 39°11.234' N., Long. 76° 4.291' W., then running northerly along the shore to a point, at or near Lat. 39°11.518' N., Long. 76° 4.349' W., then running 94° (True) to a point, at or near Lat. 39°11.508' N., Long. 76° 4.157' W., then running 172° (True) to a point, at or near Lat. 39°11.306' N., Long. 76° 4.119' W., then running 242° (True) to the point of beginning. This area has a 6-knot speed limit Saturdays, Sundays, and State holidays from May 15—September 1.]

.02 Winchester Creek.

Winchester Creek encompasses the area beginning at a point [Lat. 38°58'23.16"N., Long. 76°12'13.07"W., a line running 099° True to the opposite shore, Lat. 38°58'22.22"N., Long. 76°12'05.47"W.,] at or near Lat. 38° 58.382' N., Long. 76° 12.222' W., then running 108° (True) to a point, at or near Lat. 38° 58.353' N., Long. 76° 12.107' W., and running to the head of the creek. This area has a 6-knot [(6.9 MPH)] speed limit all year.

.03 Rolphs Wharf.

Rolphs Wharf encompasses the area beginning at a point [Lat. 39°10'12.8"N., Long. 76°02'09.9"W., a line running 270° True to a point Lat. 39°10'12.8"N., Long. 76°02'38.5"W., upriver to a point beginning at Lat. 39°10'30.6"N., Long. 76°02'14.0"W., a line running 270° True to Lat. 39°10'30.6"N., Long. 76°02'2.4"W.] at or near Lat. 39° 10.213' N., Long. 76° 2.160' W., then running 262° (True) to a point, at or near Lat. 39° 10.187' N., Long. 76° 2.397' W., then running 21° (True) to a point, at or near Lat. 39° 10.510' N., Long. 76° 2.233' W., then running 301° (True) to a point, at or near Lat. 39° 10.668' N., Long. 76° 2.578' W. This area has a 6-knot speed limit on Saturdays, Sundays, and State holidays, all year.

.04 Castle Harbor Marina Basin.

The Castle Harbor Marina Basin encompasses the area beginning at [or near] the east end of the north jetty at [Lat. 38°59'25.9"N., Long. 76°16'41.1"W., a line running 119° True to the east end of the opposite jetty at Lat. 38°59'24.9"N., Long. 76°16'38.9"W.,] or near Lat. 38°59.432' N., Long. 76°16.685' W., then running 120° (True) to the east end of the south jetty, at or near Lat. 38°59.415' N., Long. 76°16.648' W. and running to the head of the Basin. This area has a 6-knot [(6.9 MPH)] speed limit all year.

.05 Chester River Yacht Club.

The Chester River Yacht Club area encompasses a line beginning at a point at or near Lat. 39°11.234′ N., Long. 76° 4.291′ W., then running northerly along the shore to a point, at or near Lat. 39°11.518′ N., Long. 76° 4.349′ W., then running 94° (True) to a point, at or near Lat. 39°11.508′ N., Long. 76° 4.157′ W., then running 172° (True) to a point, at or near Lat. 39°11.306′ N., Long. 76° 4.119′ W., then running 242° (True) to the point of beginning. This area has a 6-knot speed limit Saturdays, Sundays, and State holidays from May 15—September 1.