

S.K.I.
Skiers of Knoxville, Inc.
INFORMATION SHEET

What is S.K.I.?

S.K.I. is a nonprofit organization working to promote safety in water sports and support the development of its members as recreational skiers and amateur competitors. Membership provides use of all courses, use of the jump as well as receipt of a newsletter containing information on club activities, tournaments, used equipment for sale, etc.

Meetings and Membership:

The club typically meets from April through October at 7 p.m. on the first Monday of each month at a location to be announced in the preceding month's newsletter. Contact your sponsoring S.K.I. Club member or the Club website at www.skiersofknoxville.org for the location of the next meeting if you're not currently on the mailing list. Memberships are \$30 annually per family or individual (\$40 if paid after 5/30 of the membership year.)

Course Rules and Courtesies:

Skiers not familiar with the slalom course and jump often are unaware of the club rules and courtesies, which facilitate amiable sharing of the waters:

- **Always idle into a cove where a course or jump is located.**
Any waves created as boats enter the area will cause difficulty for the skier - not only from a performance perspective, but they can also increase the potential for injury from a fall. Waves are particularly dangerous for skiers using the jump. (The same applies to meeting barefooters in open water - for their safety, please come to No-Wake speed.)

- **Taking turns.**
As you enter the cove, check with boats already waiting to determine who is in line and take your place in the sequence.

While each person in the boat that "is up" is typically entitled to 6 attempts before the next boat "is up," this is not always the most efficient or courteous way. There may be circumstances where it is more efficient for boats to rotate skiers between several boats to maximize skiing time. The overriding rule should be COURTESY.

- **Courtesy to Fellow Skiers**
When other boats are waiting, avoid prolonged sitting in the water waiting for the water to "settle."

The next skier up should be suited up and ready to ski when the previous skier has finished. If this is not possible, consider alternating with another boat while the next skier gets ready.

If you quit at a place other than at the staging area, sound your horn to let others know it is safe to proceed, then idle to the side of the course and out.

If a boat or waverunner comes into the cove at mach speed, sending waves into the course or jump, you may wish to idle over to the individual and politely share the course rules and courtesies with them. Frequently, they are not aware of proper etiquette.

- **Fishermen**
Be alert to the location of fishermen. Keep your distance. Avoid quick turnarounds and pickups, which will disturb their tranquility. Our permits are for placement of the course only, they do not make us Lord and Master of all boats on the water. If a fisherman is on the course fishing, we suggest that you politely ask him if he will relocate so you can ski. If he is unwilling to do so, wait patiently until he is finished and has moved a safe distance from the course.

S.K.I. Slalom Courses:

Norris Lake – Dam	Tellico
Norris Lake – Big Creek	Douglas Lake
Norris Lake – Catfish Hollow	Melton Hill

Consult the S.K.I. website at www.skiersofknoxville.org for current course conditions.