

MOORING BUOY(S) TEMPORARY STRUCTURE PERMIT REGULATIONS

MN State Statute 6110.1500 WATERWAY MARKERS

Subd 4 Mooring Buoys

Every buoy placed in the waters of the state for use in anchoring or mooring watercraft may be of any practicable size or shape but must have at least eight inches extending above the waterline. No anchoring buoy may have a diameter of over 24 inches circular or a width of more than 24 inches if some other shape. No mooring or anchor buoy may be placed in any public water if it obstructs access to any public or private property or creates a navigational hazard. No mooring or anchor buoy may be placed in or upon the water of the state except by public authority or under a permit issued by the sheriff of the county. Every such buoy shall be colored white and shall be encircled by a visible blue band at least one inch wide. Mooring buoys must have a minimum total of 16 square inches of white reflectorization, part of which must be visible from any direction. Mooring buoys, if lighted, shall show a flashing white light.

Your mooring buoy permit will be in effect for the current season only.

- The Cities that are affected **must** give written permission.
- If you are applying for a mooring buoy on White Bear Lake, you will need written approval from the White Bear Lake Conservation District.
- Property owners, which the course directly affects, **must** give written permission.
- The buoy area must not exceed 100' from shore, including the swing of the boat moored to it. During low water seasons, the Sheriff's Water Patrol may grant temporary extensions beyond 100' while the low water exists. The mooring is to be moved back within 100' from shore when the water table allows.
- It must not be a navigational hazard or impair other recreational uses.
- If you move your buoy at any time from its original location, you must inform the Sheriff's Office Water Patrol Unit.
- Water depth at your mooring site should not exceed 1-1/2' more than your watercraft draft.
- Any object used for anchoring your mooring buoy must be clean and non-polluting. All anchoring must be retrievable from the lake.

Your Mooring Buoy must be removed by November 15th

