

Lake Saint Clair – Boat Speed Restrictions



The 5 mph speed limit **is currently in effect.**

Thurston County has placed boat speed restrictions on Lake Saint Clair consistent with the direction set by the Board of County Commissioners as contained in [Ordinance 14975](#).

The restrictions provide for:

- A “No Wake” zone within 200 feet of the shoreline.
- A 5 mph speed limit to all areas of the lake, *when the water level is higher than 69.5 feet above sea level*. When the lake level drops to 69.5 feet or lower, the 5 mph speed limit does not apply.

In administering the restriction the County:

- Maintains a sign at the boat launch and bridge advising boaters when the 5 mph speed limit is in effect.
- Measures lake levels on a regular basis using a staff gage plate affixed to the bridge on Peninsula Drive SE.
- Maintains a graph of lake levels on the County website at <https://www.thurstoncountywa.gov/sw/Pages/monitoring-dashboard.aspx> and scroll down to select “10b: Lake St. Clair (Lake)” from the 'Site' drop down menu at the top of the page.