

**Town of Wascott
Douglas County, Wisconsin**

Ordinance 2025-01 – Eau Claire River Waterway Marker Ordinance

A sole ordinance to regulate boating and other uses on the waters of the Eau Claire River during construction of the replacement of the Lidberg Bridge in the Town of Wascott, Douglas County, WI.

WHEREAS, the Town of Wascott does ordain as follows, the prescribing penalties for violation thereof:

Section 1: Applicability and Enforcement: The provisions of this Ordinance shall apply to the waters of the Eau Claire River at the Lidberg Bridge area, located within the jurisdiction of the Town of Wascott. The chapter shall be enforced by the officers of the Town of Wascott, Douglas County and the Department of Natural Resources.

Section 2: Intent: The intent of this Ordinance is to provide safe and healthful conditions for the enjoyment of aquatic recreation consistent with public rights and interests and the capability of the water resources.

Section 3: State Boating and Safety Laws Adopted: State boating laws as found in ss. 30.50 to 30.71, Wis. Stats., are adopted by reference here.

Section 4: Penalties: Wisconsin state boating penalties as found in ins. 30.80, Wis. Stats., and deposits established in the Uniform Deposit and Bail Schedule established by the Wisconsin Judicial Conferences, are hereby adopted by reference and all references to fines amended to forfeitures and all references to imprisonment are deleted.

Section 5: Severability: The provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed severable and it is expressly declared that the Town of Wascott would have passed the other provisions of this Ordinance irrespective of whether or not one or more provisions may be declared invalid. If any provision of this Ordinance or the application to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the remainder of the Ordinance and the application of such provisions to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected.

Section 6: Boat Restriction Area: No person shall operate a boat, as defined ins. 30.50(6), Wis. Stats., on the waters of the Eau Claire River, at the Lidberg Bridge area. The boat restriction area will be in place from 06/02/2025 to 08/31/2025 during the Lidberg Bridge construction project, WisDOT Project 8396-00-74.

Section 7: Posting Requirements: The Town of Wascott shall place and maintain a synopsis of this Ordinance at all public access points within the jurisdiction of the Town of Wascott pursuant to the requirements of NR 5:15, Wis. Admin. Code.

Section 8: Effective Date: This section will become effective upon its publication.

ADOPTED this 16th day of May, 2025.

Chuck Youngquist, Chairperson

Jeff Christensen, Supervisor

Jenny Liautaud, Supervisor

Attest: Jeannette Atkinson, Clerk/Treasurer