
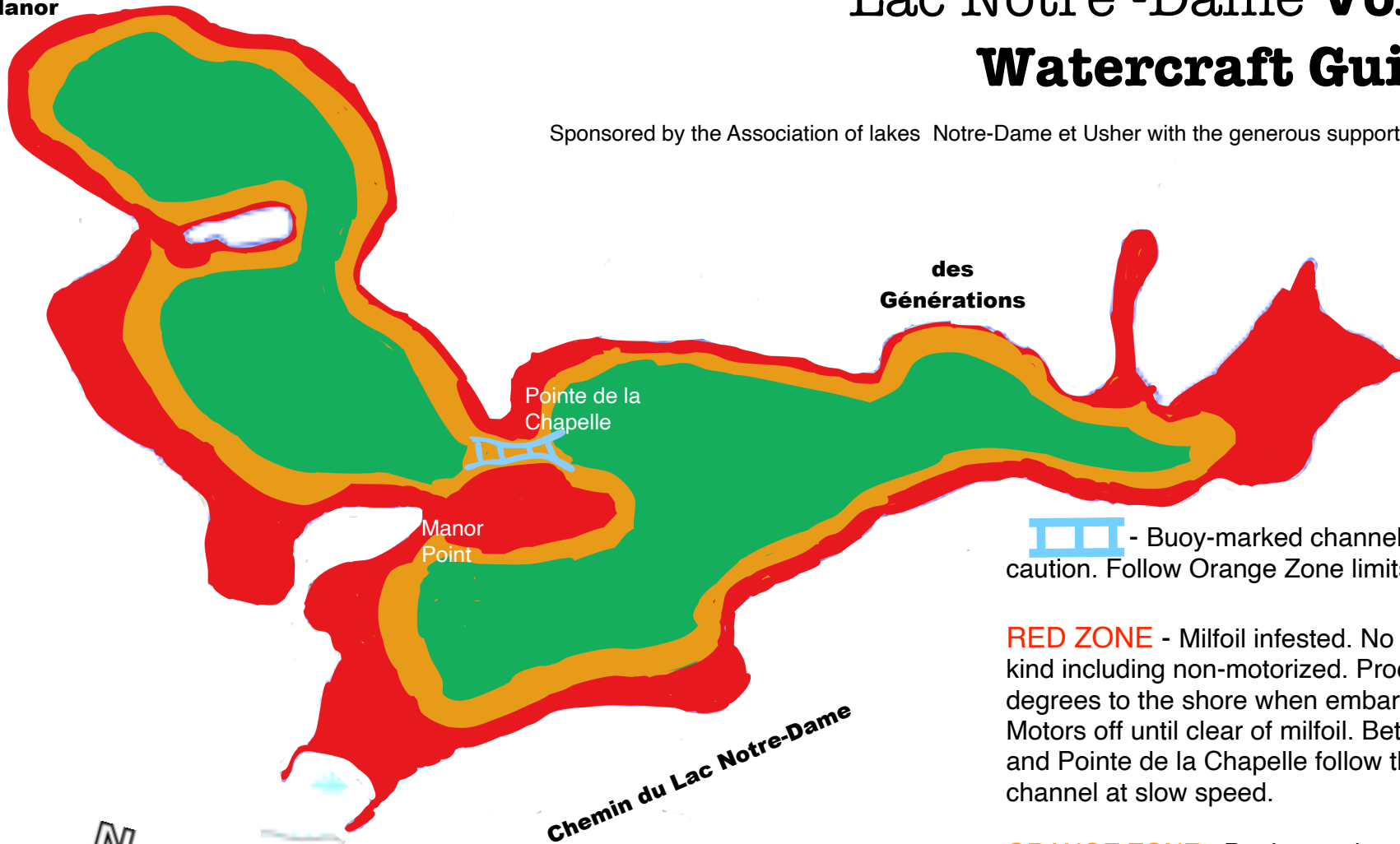



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Lac Notre -Dame **Voluntary Watercraft Guidelines**

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 - Buoy-marked channel - Proceed with caution. Follow Orange Zone limits (see below).

RED ZONE - Milfoil infested. No watercraft of any kind including non-motorized. Proceed at 90 degrees to the shore when embarking and arriving. Motors off until clear of milfoil. Between Manor Point and Pointe de la Chapelle follow the buoy-marked channel at slow speed.

ORANGE ZONE - Begins at shoreline or edge of red zones and extends 30 metres into the lake. Minimal wake and watercraft activities in this area. 10 km/hr max.

GREEN ZONE - Starts approx. 40 metres from shoreline red zones and buoyed off areas. Safe use zones for boating and water sports. Moderate wake only.

Based on observed milfoil conditions during the summer of 2024. Zone boundaries and buoy placement will be based on current conditions. Subject to change.



Please follow the buoy-marked channel off Point de la Chapelle. Proceed with caution. Follow Orange Zone limits (see below).

RED ZONE – NO Boating

No watercraft of any kind including non-motorized. Departing from shore proceed from dock at 90 degrees to the shore, if possible, with motors raised until clear of milfoil. Please do not start motor until you have reached open water free of the weed.

Arriving on shore through milfoil: if you can, turn off and raise your motor, coasting in. Make sure you remove all milfoil plants/fragments from the water and your motor, carefully disposing of them as described below.

Non-motorized watercraft should also avoid these areas. If this is not possible, paddle carefully and manually remove milfoil fragments from paddles and dispose of fragments as described below.

Dispose of cuttings properly (composting it on land at a significant distance from the water or through the municipality's green/organic waste pick-up. Do not leave plants or fragments in the water or near the shore to avoid new growth).

ORANGE ZONE - begins 30 metres from shoreline or edge of Red zones

Maximum speed 10 km/h. Minimal wake to reduce shoreline erosion and limited boating activities, prop raised as necessary. No motorized water sports.

GREEN ZONE – starts approx. 40 meters from red zones and buoyed off areas.

Boating and water sports permitted. Moderate wake only. Please begin and end water sports within this zone. Remember to always be safe and courteous to others.

Additional Guidelines

- Please make sure that anyone in your residence who operates a motorized and/or non-motorized watercraft is aware of the need to follow these Milfoil Watercraft Guidelines, including renters of your property.
- Given the presence of shallow areas and extensive milfoil and marker buoys, renters and visitors should not operate motorized boats on the lake.
- Hulls of all boats, including non-motorized, should be power-washed and bilges drained before launching onto the lake.
- Collect and properly dispose of any fragments of milfoil you may see along your shoreline or on the water.
- If possible, carry in your watercraft a net suitable for scooping weed fragments when you are on the lake. Dispose of them in your compost or on-land area far from the shoreline.
- Non-resident boats are discouraged.
- Boat wakes increase shoreline erosion. Erosion releases into the lake nutrients that feed the milfoil.
- Operate your boat safely. Consult Transport Canada's Office of Boating Safety for valuable information on safe and responsible boating practices in Canada. <https://tc.canada.ca/en/marine-transportation/marine-safety/office-boating-safety>