LIFE JACKETS
- Lifejackets must be worn at all times on craft 6m or less when not tied up or at anchor
- Lifejackets of the right size to fit everyone on board must be carried on all craft

SPEED OF VESSELS
- Keep to 5 knots or less within:
  - 200m of the shore
  - 200m of a vessel flying a dive flag
  - 50m of a person in or on the water
  - 50m of another vessel
- If you are making a wash, you will most likely be exceeding 5 knots
- You must be at least 15 years old to operate a power boat
- It takes three to water-ski – have a lookout on board

TIPS
- Keep a proper lookout for others in and on the water
- Keep well clear of other water users
- Watch the weather
- Make sure your vessel is well maintained
- Make sure you have enough fuel
- Don’t mix drinking and boating
- Be aware of hazards

THINK AHEAD
You should know what to do in the event of:
- Engine failure
- Fire
- Someone falls overboard
- Sinking
Your crew should be briefed on:
- Where safety equipment is located and how to use it
- What to do if the skipper is incapacitated

STOP THE SPREAD
Protect our waters from aquatic pests. Remove water weed and algae from boats, and thoroughly check, clean and dry all equipment that has been in the water when leaving inland waterways.

THE MORE YOU KNOW THE BETTER YOUR BOATING
Call on 0800 408 090 or visit www.cbes.org.nz

BASIC RULES TO AVOID COLLISION
(for craft including jet skis)

Vessel overtaking another
Every overtaking vessel gives way
(this includes a sailing vessel)

Power vessel meeting a sailing vessel
Power vessel gives way to sailing vessels

Power vessels meeting head on
Each vessel alters course to starboard
(right hand side)

Power vessels meeting
Give way to another vessel crossing from starboard
(right hand side) i.e. give way to the right

LAKE RUATANIWHA
Navigation Safety Bylaws 2010
5 Knot speed limit within 50m of shore.

LAKE RUATANIWHA - KEY

- Dangerous boating conditions
- Water-skiing
- Rowing
- Boat ramp
- Swimming
- Marker Posts
- Intake

5 knot restriction does not apply
5 knot speed limit
No boating or swimming
Non-powered water craft only area
Rowing course
Swimming and small paddled crafts only
Water-ski access zone

5 Knot speed limit unless launching or landing water skiers at right angles to the shore. 100m wide area.