



# TEMPORARY LOCAL WATERCRAFT CONTROL APPLICATION

By authority of part 801, 1994 PA 451, as amended and 2020 PA 72.



Michigan Public Act 72 of 2020, MCL 324.80112a, provides that if a political subdivision (local unit of government) believes a temporary ordinance is needed for the use of vessels on a water body subject to its jurisdiction, the political subdivision may submit an application and a resolution for a temporary ordinance to the department. The statute further provides for a temporary (6 months) Local Watercraft Control (LWC) to regulate the use of vessels and other contrivances on waters within their jurisdiction. Completing and submitting this application is part of that process. *Local Watercraft Control* is state terminology. When a local unit of government adopts a temporary LWC they may use the term ordinance.

Submitting an application and resolution does not guarantee approval of a LWC.

Complete the following:

Name of Local Unit of Government		
Address	Township	County
Point of Contact	Title	
Email	Telephone	Alternate Telephone
Water Body		<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private
Water Body Size	Historical Depth	Current Depth
Is there an Established Lake Level? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	Established Lake Level	
Are there Multiple Jurisdictions? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	Jurisdiction(s)	
Geographic Location		
Amount of Vessel Traffic		
Historical use and potential future use of the water body:		
Any user conflicts on the water body?		
Status of any accidents that have occurred on the water body:		
Complaints received by local law enforcement agencies regarding activities on the water body:		
Circumstances that justify the need for a temporary Local Watercraft Control (LWC):		

Will the activities subject to the proposed special rules pose any issues of safety to life or property?

Are there any identifiable problems or conditions for the activities subject to the proposed special rules, such as rocks, pier heads, swimming areas, public access sites, shallow waters, and submerged obstacles?

Will the proposed special rules unreasonably interfere with normal navigational traffic?

Does existing law adequately regulate the activities subject to the proposed special rules? If not, please explain.

Explain how the local unit of government will provide for and fund the public notice of the temporary LWC, including, but not limited to the purchase, placement, removal, and maintenance of any buoys and signage:

Explain how the local unit of government will enforce the temporary ordinance:

Provide any additional information that may be relevant to justify the need for a temporary LWC:

Did you attach the following?	Yes	No
A copy of an official resolution approved by a majority vote of the governing body of the local unit of government following a public hearing, that is not part of the local unit of government's normal scheduled meetings.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A copy of the hearing minutes.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A complete list of all current LWCs, rules, regulations and ordinances on water body.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

All the above topics must be thoroughly addressed. Incomplete applications will delay the investigative and review process. If additional information is needed, the department shall request the additional information.

**SUBMIT COMPLETED APPLICATION, RESOLUTION, HEARING MINUTES, AND ANY ADDITIONAL PAPERWORK TO:**

**Michigan Department of Natural Resources  
Law Enforcement Division  
Recreational Safety Education and Enforcement Section  
P.O. Box 30031  
Lansing, MI 48909**

**OR**

**Email: DNR-LED-RecSafety@michigan.gov**