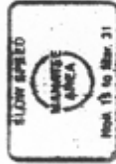


Boating Speed Zones

To alert the boater and protect the manatee in its sanctuaries, the law provides a number of cautionary and regulatory speed zones. The following illustrates and explains the various signs:



Idle Speed Zone - a zone in which boats are not permitted to go any faster than necessary to be steered; generally these signs appear near the center of a protected manatee sanctuary.



Slow Speed Zone - a no-wake or minimum-wake zone where boats must not be on a plane and must be level in the water.



Caution Zone - a zone frequently inhabited by manatees, requiring caution on the part of boaters to avoid disturbing or injuring the animals.



No Entry Zone - a protected zone that prohibits boating, swimming and diving for the protection of manatees.



Safe Operation Zone - a sign indicating that you may resume safe boating speed; visible as you leave a protected area.

Manatees and the Law

Manatees are protected by the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, the Endangered Species Act of 1973 and the Florida Manatee Sanctuary Act of 1978. It is illegal to harass, harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, annoy or molest manatees.

The state of Florida has also established a number of cautionary and regulatory speed zones to protect the manatee in its habitat.

Anyone convicted of violating state law faces maximum fines of \$500 and/or imprisonment of up to 60 days. Conviction for violating federal protection laws is punishable by fines up to \$80,000 and/or one year in prison.

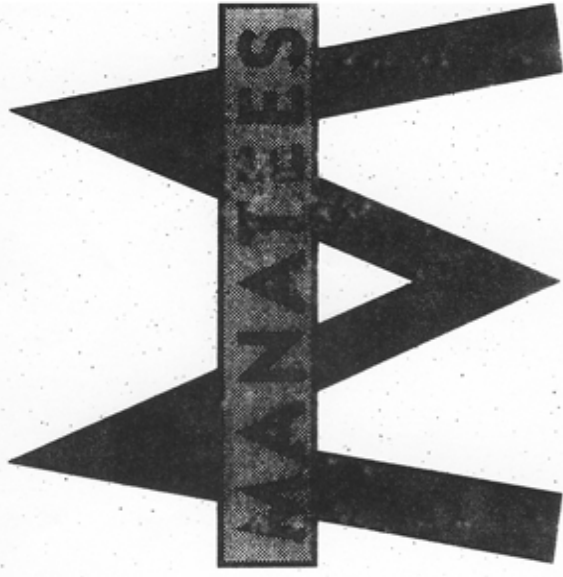
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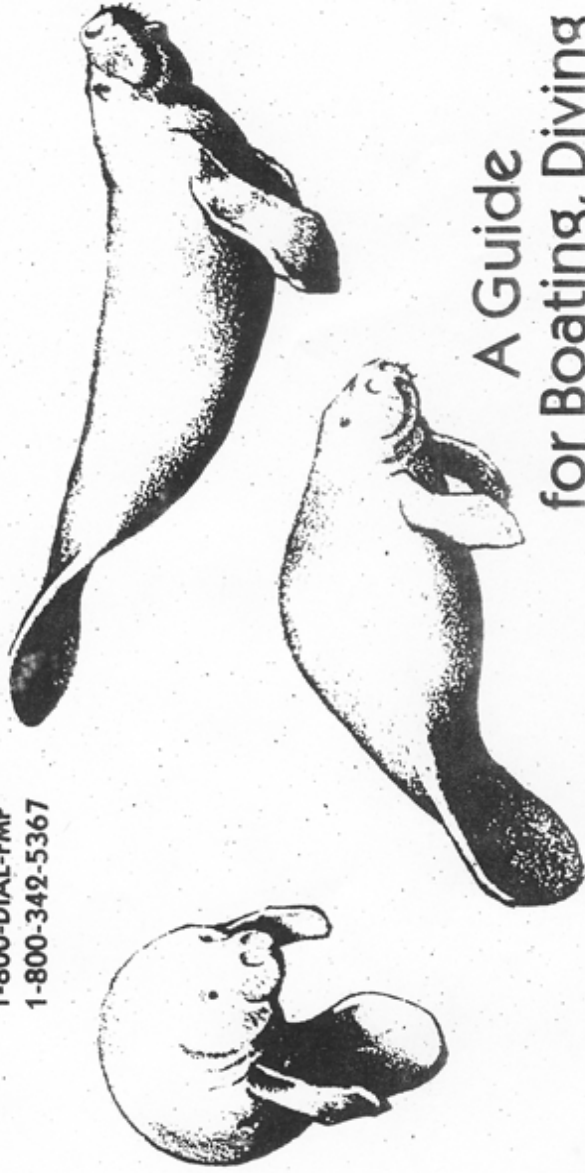
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