This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Power Vessel Noise Control Act.”

Credits


N.J.S.A. 12:7-23.1, NJ ST 12:7-23.1
Current with laws through L.2020, c. 61.
Every power vessel used on the waters of this State shall at all times be equipped with a muffler or muffler system in good working order and in constant operation. A person shall not use a muffler or muffler system cutout, bypass or similar method or device designed to prevent or diminish the operational capacity of a muffler or muffler system installed on a power vessel used on the waters of this State. Decibel levels exceeding the limits established pursuant to rules and regulations as measured by a noise meter operated by a trained Marine Police officer or municipal law enforcement officer shall be evidence of a violation of P.L. 1987, c. 269 (C.12:7-23.2 et seq.). For the purposes of P.L. 1987, c. 269 (C.12:7-23.2 et seq.), muffler means a sound dissipative device or system which abates the sound of gases which are emitted from an internal combustion engine and which prevents excessive or unusual noise.

Credits


Current with laws through L.2020, c. 61.
12:7-23.3. Prohibition against sale of vessel not equipped with muffler in good working order

A person shall not sell or offer for sale in this State any power vessel which is not equipped with a muffler or muffler system in good working order, or which does not comply with specifications for mufflers or muffler systems as may be required by the rules and regulations adopted by the Boat Regulation Commission established pursuant to section 14 of P.L.1962, c. 73 (C.12:7-34.49). The Boat Regulation Commission may by rule or regulation exempt from the requirements of this section certain types of power vessels designed and constructed solely for participation in racing events.

Credits


Current with laws through L.2020, c. 61.
12:7-23.4. Non-application of act, NJ ST 12:7-23.4

The provisions of this act shall not apply to power vessels registered and actually participating in racing events, or tuneup periods for racing events, when authorized by the Division of State Police in the Department of Law and Public Safety or by any other public authority with the approval of the Division of State Police.

Credits


N. J. S. A. 12:7-23.4, NJ ST 12:7-23.4
Current with laws through L.2020, c. 61.
12:7-23.5. Violations; fines

A person who violates any provision of this act or any regulation adopted pursuant to this act is subject to a fine of not less than $100 for the first offense, $300 for the second offense, and $500 for the third and each subsequent offense.

Credits


Current with laws through L.2020, c. 61.
Notwithstanding the provisions of N.J.S. 2C:46-4 or any other provision of law, rule or regulation to the contrary, all fines imposed and collected pursuant to this act shall be remitted to the State Treasurer by the court imposing and collecting the fines and shall become part of the General Fund of the State.

Credits


N. J. S. A. 12:7-23.6, NJ ST 12:7-23.6
Current with laws through L.2020, c. 61.