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Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

Approval authority name	State Water Control Board
Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation	9 VAC 25-71-10 et seq.
Regulation title	Regulations Governing the Discharge of Sewage and Other Wastes from Boats
Action title	Amendment of Regulations Governing the Discharge of Sewage and Other Wastes from Boats
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Summary

Please provide a brief summary of all regulatory changes, including the rationale behind such changes. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.

The 2004 General Assembly amended State Water Control Law and directed the Board to adopt specific language with respect to this regulation. The specific language is provided in the revised 62.1-44.33 and it has been incorporated into the regulation by this amendment. It clarifies what boater's responsibilities are in No Discharge Zones, provides a requirement to assist law enforcement officers in determining compliance, and it requires marinas to notify patrons of the discharge restrictions.

Statement of Final Agency Action

Please provide a statement of the final action taken by the agency: including the date the action was taken, the name of the agency taking the action, and the title of the regulation.

The State Water Control Board adopted the amendments to this regulation at their meeting of August 31, 2004.

Family impact

Assess the impact of this regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability including to what extent the regulatory action will: 1) strengthen or erode the authority and rights of parents in the education, nurturing, and supervision of their children; 2) encourage or discourage economic self-sufficiency, self-pride, and the assumption of responsibility for oneself, one's spouse, and one's children and/or elderly parents; 3) strengthen or erode the marital commitment; and 4) increase or decrease disposable family income.

It is not anticipated that this regulation will have a direct impact on families.