

South African Maritime Safety Authority



Marine Notice No. 15 of 2007

Hand Signals to be used when vessels are engaged in Waterskiing Activities

TO AUTHORISED AGENCIES, SAFETY OFFICERS, SAMSA APPOINTED SKIPPER EXAMINERS, OTHER INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES, SAMSA SURVEYORS AND PRINCIPAL OFFICERS

Summary

This marine notice sets out SAMS policy for the correct use of hands signals whilst vessels are engaged in water skiing activities

1 The *Merchant Shipping (National Small Vessel Safety) Regulations, 2007*, were promulgated in the Government Gazette on 8 August 2007. These regulations now encompass the use of small vessels on inland waters. Part 6 of these regulations deal with Additional Special Provisions that apply to certain specific activities.

- § Part 6 - Additional special provisions
- § 36 - Requirements for water skiing
- § 36 (3) (b) - Must have knowledge of the standard hand signals as described by marine notice.

2 After consultation with the industry the hand signals as indicated in Table.1 are to be used.

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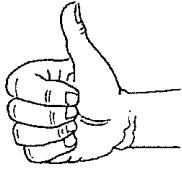
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TABLE 1



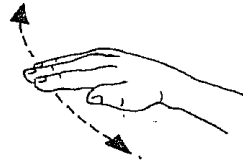
Faster
Motion upwards with the thumb



Speed OK
Arm raised with thumb and forefinger making an 'O' Okay signal



Slower
Motion downwards with thumb



Same speed
Motion left to right across body with hand, palm down



Turn around
With index finger extended, motion in air above the head direction of turn



I am okay
After fall, skier clasps both hands over head if unhurt



Stop
Finger drawn across throat in cutting motion



Back to the dock
Pat the top of the head with hand