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LUGANO
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LAKE LUGANO

Lago Ceresio

The Lake Lugano, also known as Ceresio, is a pre-Alpine lake located on the border between Switzerland and Italy. 63% of its territory is in Switzerland, while the remaining portion is divided among the province of Como (including Porlezza, Valsolda, and Osteno), the province of Varese, and Campione d'Italia.

Lake Lugano has a length of approximately 48 km and a maximum width of about 3 km. The deepest point, measuring 290 meters, is located between Valsolda and Gandria.

...VISITING THE LAKE BY BOAT IS EVEN BETTER!

The shores of the lake are characterized by a combination of mountains, forests, and picturesque villages.

The calm waters of the lake create an ideal environment for water sports enthusiasts, such as water skiing, swimming, or fishing.

Exploring Lake Lugano by boat provides access to exclusive and secluded places that may not be easily reachable by land.



Tourist Attractions on the Lake

- Porlezza e Cima, Claino con Osteno, San Mamete, Santa Margherita e Oria (Valsolda) ITALIA
- Gandria, Lugano, Melide, Capolago, Morcote SVIZZERA
- Campione d'Italia, Porto Ceresio, Ponte Tresa ITALIA

DO YOU KNOW...



IDENTIFICATION MARKS

Unregistered vessels navigating on Lakes Lugano (Ceresio) and Maggiore must be equipped with specific identification marks, as per Law 15/11/2011 No. 203 and Article 17 of the International Regulation for Navigation on Lakes Maggiore and Lugano.

The marks - **permanent plate** - white in color - will be issued exclusively to residents.
The marks - **tourist plate** - colored - for all other nautical units (tourists).

They are exempt from the obligation of marks (Article 17, paragraph 5, of the Regulation):

- Vessels of navigation companies holding concessions for regular line services;
- Vessels whose length is less than 2.5 m;
- Canoes, kayaks, and other similar non-motorized vessels, as well as windsurfing boards;
- Competition rowing boats.

To obtain registration in the Nautical Register and the issuance of marks, it is necessary to submit a specific application, sending the required documents and a copy of the payment to:

contrassegni@autoritabacinoceresio.it o **info@autoritabacinoceresio.it**

The cost of registration in the Nautical Register and the issuance of the Logbook and identification marks is quantified at Euro 40.00 (forty,00) to be paid via Bank Transfer to the bank account number 136-0009066/63 of BANCA POPOLARE DI SONDRIO - CAMPIONE D'ITALIA BRANCH, IBAN: IT98 1056 9651 0500 0000 9066 X63 - BIC: POSOIT22.

Please include the reason for payment: name and surname / Nautical Mark Ceresio.

DOCUMENTS TO BE ATTACHED:

- Copy of the insurance certificate or attestation (insurance is mandatory)
- Copy of the engine use certificate
- Copy of the executed bank transfer
- Copy of the identification document
- Completed form

After verifying the correctness of all submitted documents, you will receive a positive confirmation email. The Basin Authority will take care of sending the identification marks to the tourist office of Porlezza (or the relevant municipality).

The identification marks must be affixed by the owner on each side of the vessel, at the bow, in a clearly visible position.

For administrative changes to the paper form (for example, changing propulsion systems, address, or operator details), the cost is €10.00 (ten/00).

WHAT IS NEEDED



PIAZZALE MILANO 4 – 22061 CAMPIONE D'ITALIA (CO)

All' Autorità di bacino lacuale Ceresio Piano e Ghirla sede di Campione d'Italia: info@autoritabacinoceresio.it

Application for registration on the nautical list and the issuing of identification marks for vessels that navigate in the waters of Lake Lugano (Ceresio). Act 20 January 1997, n. 19, Act 15 november 2011, n. 203

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Personal Data – SURNAME & FIRST NAME:					
TOWN/FOREIGN COUNTRY OF BIRTH:				DATE OF BIRTH:	
	TOWN: POSTCODE:		STREET:		N°
COUNTRY:					
MOBILE PHONE:				E-MAIL:	

REQUESTS

Registration on the nautical list and issuing of the registration booklet and identification marks for the following vessels:

MAKE & TYPE		
REGISTRATION N°		
N° OF SEATS OF BOARD		
TYPE OF UNIT		
MAKE & TYPE OF ENGINE		
N° OF ENGINES		
LENGHT IN MT		
WIDTH IN MT		
THE SAIL SURFACE MSQ		
WEIGHT IN KG		
INSURANCE		
NAUTICAL UNIT	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW	<input type="checkbox"/> SECOND HAND – Old registration N.°
Place of stationing		

I ENCLOSE THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTATION:

- a certified copy of the vessels characteristics
- a certified copy of the engine use of declaration of potency certificate and/or proof of R.C. insurance
- copy of proof of bank's payment € 40,00 sul c.c. bancario n. 136-0009066/63 della BANCA POPOLARE DI SONDRIO -
- AGENZIA DI CAMPIONE D'ITALIA (IBAN: IT98 1056 9651 0500 0000 9066 X63- BIC: POSOIT22).

Date _____ Signature _____

RULES OF FLOATING CRAFTS NAVIGATION

The captain shall take all possible precaution measures aimed at security provision, in compliance with navigation route, boat velocity and local conditions so that the situation was under his permanent control and he could avoid dangerous situations and damage, including contamination of water environment or damaging its ecological properties. All maneuvers shall be performed timely and firmly. The alteration of course and speed shall not pose any threats of collision. The captain shall be responsible for placement of passengers and cargoes in a way necessary for the vessel safety and not interfering with a wide view while steering. The number of passengers shall not exceed the limits set in the vessel documents. Three children under 12 can be counted as 2 adult persons. The vessel shall no in way be steered by persons unable to guarantee its security due to an illness, physical or mental disorders, being under the influence or for other reasons.

NEAR-SHORE AREA

Navigation closer than 150 meters to the shore (nearshore) shall be performed at the speed below 5 knots (10 km/h) and only for departure, final approach and mooring perpendicular to the shore line. The speed shall be slowed down in a proper way in order to avoid raising a wave, which can damage the vessels at the mooring or moving near it or prevent any works on the water or navigation provision works. The boat shall keep away as far as possible form the vessels having a wave danger sign. • The speed limit at tithe distance over 150 meters is 27 knots.

VESSEL DOCUMENTS:

Approaching the ports and leaving them shall be performed with minimal engine speed and the hull above the water. The entry to the ports located in the rivers and navigational canals at night time or under conditions of poor visibility shall be performed in such a way so that the moor was located starboard and was clearly seen from the distance. The green light shall be on starboard and the red light shall be on portside. The yellow light signal can be used for indicating direction. The approach ways to the ports, water mouths are equipped with light signals and clearly seen from the di33 stance. A red cylinder buoy is installed on the left side and a green conic buoy is fixed to the left. At night the signaling can be performed by red blinking lights to the left and green blinking lights to the right.

The vessels leaving the port have an advantage, as compared to the approaching vessels. The only exception is the vessels running along regular routes and vessels in emergency condition. Anyway, creating obstacles while leaving the port or approaching it is forbidden. Mooring near the port's wharf is forbidden. The vessels shall not approach the wharfs meant for the boats running along the regular routes in order not to create obstacles for their arrival or departure maneuvers or moor at such wharfs. During the movement, in cases of intersection of courses or overtake the advantage shall be given to (by all vessels): the boats running along the regular routes, cargo vessels, professional fishing boats, sailing vessels, boats propelled by oars. Navigation is prohibited for all vessels in duly restricted areas meant for bathing and marked by yellow spherical buoys or corresponding garlands.

Special conditions Dig di Melide Bridge and Lavena Ponte Treza Strait: the central arch of Melide Bridge is meant only for the boats running along the regular routes. The other vessels shall pass under the other arches. In Lavena Strait the vessels heading for Ponte Treza have an advantage as compared to meters. Backwash and towing are forbidden.

ENTRY TO PORTS AND APPROACHING THE MOORS

- The vessels over 2.5 m long navigating along the Swissltalian waters of Lake Ceresio shall have the corresponding ID sign (hull No.) and vessel ID documents. The documents and the states, which have signed the corresponding treaty are valid on Lake Ceresio and Lake Verbano without registration. The vessels that are not based either in Switzerland or in Italy shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the state, where they have been floated out.
- The vessels with the hull numbers of foreign states (not related to Italy or Switzerland) shall have the corresponding tourist sign, for which they shall apply in the commune, where the vessel is about to moor. A vessel with an Italian hull number owned by an Italian citizen, can stay in a Suisse till the end of the current month without notifying Suisse customs authorities. Suisse or Italian citizen residing in Switzerland and having a vessel registered in Italy shall notify the customs authorities as soon as they enter the Suisse territory. They can stay on the territory of Switzerland for 3 days 12 times a year without customs inspection. Upon the expiry of a 3-days term the Suisse authorities\ require displaying a Z sign (Zurich). 35
- The vessels under 2.5 m long and inflatable boats shall be relieved from the obligation to use the ID sign (hull number) and can move as far as 150 meters from the shore.
- **While crossing the border, a person steering the wheel and passengers shall present their personal documents.**

PERMISSION FOR STEERING THE VESSEL:

A permission for steering the vessel is not envisaged for sailing boats with the square of sails exceeding 4 sqm (starting the age of 14) and for vessels with the engine power of 30 kW or 40.8 horse powers (starting the age of 16). A permission for steering the vessel is compulsory starting the age of 18 for the vessels with the engine of over 30 kW or 40.8 horse powers, for steering a scooter or water skies.

When a person steering the vessel is moving to another country, he/she has to replace a permit for steering without passing an exam within a year after moving.

INTERNATIONAL AND FOREIGN DOCUMENTS

Acknowledgement of documents: persons temporarily residing in a state, which signed the treaty, are allowed to steer:

- a) a vessel registered in Switzerland or Italy, who received a permit in their country and has an internationally accepted authorization for steering a vessel;³⁶
- b) a vessel originating from a state, which did not sign the treaty, if, in compliance with one of the documents mentioned in clause «a», he is entitled to steering the vessel in his own country.

MINIMAL ON-BOARD EQUIPMENT SET FOR NAVIGATION AT CERESIO AND LAKE MAGGIORE (Similar to river transport)

- fire extinguisher for all motor boats
- flotation ring with a rope and life preserver for all persons staying on-board, in compliance with the requirements of the certificate 100N (EN ISO 12402-4)
- a pump or any other dewatering device (bailer)
- All vessels shall have an emergency alarm signal for use it in case of emergency.

WATER SKIING:

Water skiing is permitted from 8.00 to 21.00 under conditions of good weather and visibility (not less than 300 m. from the shore); the rope shall be at least 12 m long and shall be duly fixed;

person aged over 14 are allowed to ski under condition that they wear a life preserver. No more than 2 such persons shall be simultaneously training on such boats.

The areas of water space for skiing and corridors for start along the shore are marked with yellow spherical buoys and the corresponding pointers are set on the shore.

The buoys, which mark the start corridors, shall have a diameter that is twice larger than the diameter of other buoys.

The upper section of the left buoy shall be clearly seen from the distance and painted red. The right buoy shall be green.

Using water skis and similar devices:

1. Using water skis and similar devices is prohibited in near-shore area and beyond the officially permitted corridors for the start and the corresponding sections of water space specially designated for this purpose and duly marked.
2. The captain of the vessel towing another vessel shall be accompanied by a person watching over the towing rope and the water skiers. This person shall be capable of performing these duties.⁴⁰
3. A vessel towing another vessel and a water skier shall observe the distance of 50 m between themselves and the bathing people. The towing rope shall be elastic enough and shall not be plunged into the water.
4. It is prohibited to tow flying devices (kites, parachutes and other similar devices) without a special permit of the competent territorial water navigation control authority.

WATER BIKE (aqua scooter):

The permit is compulsory. The minimal age is 18, no more than 150 m from the shore, from 9:00 till 13:00 and from 15:00 till 19:00 only in the Italian waters. Using water bikes and other similar devices, regardless of the drive is prohibited in the Suisse waters of Lake Ceresio.

SURFING UNDER THE SAIL:

Surfing under the sail is permitted at daytime, at good visibility, more than 100 m from the shore in locations designated for bathing. It is prohibited in the ports. Sailing off is permitted along the corridors outside the areas designated for bathing⁴¹ and marked by yellow spherical buoys. Wearing life preservers is compulsory. Kite Surfing on Lake Ceresio is prohibited.

SMALL VESSELS, CANOE AND SIMILAR DEVICES:

Vessels under 2.5 meters long and any other beach devices, inflatable boats and other small size devices for entertainment and games can move within the area of 150 m from the shore and shall in no way be equipped with a motor. This rule does not extend to boats propelled with oars, meant for competitions, canoes, kayaks, baidarkas, sailboards and other similar devices equipped with a motor.

TOWING FLOATING CRAFTS IN THE ITALIAN WATERS OF LAKE CERESIO

Towing various floating crafts, but for the water skies, such as doughnuts, water bananas and other similar devices, which do not stand out from the water, is permitted only when the following conditions are observed.

GENERAL CONDITIONS A holidaymaker steering a floating device shall be fully responsible for observation of technical regulation, safety rules, recommendations of the floating device and observance of the following standards:

- 42 a) The events can be held after 8.00, if the weather allows at the distance no less than 150 m from the shore;
- b) Persons steering such floating devices shall have the corresponding permit regardless of the power of the engine and be accompanied by a person supervising the towed vessel and people. This person shall be capable of performing these duties;
- c) The maximal amount of passengers aboard, but for the person, who steers the vessel and the accompanying person responsible for towing control, depends on the properties of the vessels; passengers may include holidaymakers;
- e) All persons carried on a floating craft shall wear individual life preservers;
- f) The arrival and departure of the floating craft is permitted only within a space free from bathing people and its navigation is permitted at the distance of over 150 m in the areas specially designated by competent authorities;
- g) At various stage of towing the distance between the towing and towed vessels shall not exceed 12 meters;
- h) The towed vehicle shall be equipped with devices regulating the direction of navigation and fixing the engine in the neutral position, back mirror and other on-board equipment specified by current regulation; the towing points for keeping the towed vessel shall be certified and shall be equipped with a system of prompt lock release; the towing vessel shall have certified sockets for fixing a specially designated rope;⁴³
- i) Towing water bikes are prohibited;
- k) The safe side distance of the towing vessel from the other vessels is 100 m.;
- l) The maximal allowed speed shall correspond to the technical characteristics of the towed vessel and in anyway it shall not exceed the set limit of 10m knots (19 km/h);
- m) Towing more than 1 vessel at once is prohibited;
- n) It is prohibited to make obstacles for the vessels running along regular routes. Towing water bananas, doughnuts and other similar devices is prohibited:
 - a) inside the ports and along access areas and in other areas, if the side distance is less than 100 meters;
 - b) within the distance of 100 meters from sunk vessels and floating crafts;
 - c) in locations designated for bathing;
 - d) within the distance of 200 m from the infrastructure of navigable routes;
 - e) in the reedy areas as well as areas or architectural or natural preservation importance, at the distance of 150 meters from them.
 - f) on the lakes Piano and Ghirla and in the Lavena Ponte Tresa strait; The use of parachutes and other similar devices as well as the use of sailboards (kite surf) on lakes Ceresio, Piano and Ghirla is prohibited.⁴⁴ Ship modeling and aeromodelling It is prohibited to use movable vessel and aircraft models on the lakes of public use, rivers and/or in the waters of lakes Ceresio, Piano and Ghirla unless the corresponding person received a permit at Ceresio, Piano and Ghirla Lakes Basin Authority.

INFORMATION The competent authority for submission of complaints and claims related to violation of navigation and recreation is CERESIO, PIANO AND GHIRLA LAKES BASIN AUTHORITY.

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