



Division of Fish and Wildlife
Boating Education Office
89 Kings Highway
Dover, DE 19901
DNREC

2007 & 2008 Boating Safety Classes

Effective January 1, 1994, successful completion of a Boating Safety Course is mandatory for persons born on or after January 1, 1978, in order to operate a boat. ** Personal Watercraft is a boat.

NOTE: THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD'S INTERIM LIFE JACKET RULE BECAME EFFECTIVE FOR ALL STATES AS OF DECEMBER 23, 2002. ALL CHILDREN UNDER 13 YEARS OF AGE MUST WEAR USCG APPROVED, PROPERLY FITTED, LIFE JACKETS WHILE ABOARD RECREATIONAL VESSELS UNDERWAY, EXCEPT WHEN THE CHILDREN ARE BELOW DECKS OR IN AN ENCLOSED CABIN.

ON-LINE STATE CERTIFICATION COURSE

Click on <http://www.boat-ed.com>. The home study course is approved by the NASBLA and DNREC, Division of Fish and Wildlife. Click on Delaware and go into the study sections. When you are ready, you can take the pre-test for Boat Ed at no cost. When you are satisfied with the results of the pre-test, you can take the final test at a cost of \$20.00. After you have passed the test, the information is forwarded electronically to the DNREC, Division of Fish and Wildlife Enforcement, Office of Boating Education for a State Boating Certification card.

The Delaware Division of Fish and Wildlife, Office of Boating Education is pleased that you are interested in safe boating on our waters. Our purpose is to provide necessary education to meet the needs of the boating public and fulfill the requirements of Delaware's mandatory education requirements. Boating education teaches boaters to be safe, knowledgeable, and responsible. With more and more people enjoying the ocean, lakes, and rivers every year, it is important for everyone, that boaters educate themselves on boating skills and seamanship. For further information, about Delaware Boating Education Program and scheduled courses, call Sgt. Greg Rhodes at (302) 739-9915 or 1-800-464-4357 or contact him by email at Gregory.Rhodes@state.de.us.

NEW CASTLE COUNTY

U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY, FLOTILLA 01-04

November 17th
January 19th
March 8th

The Coast Guard Auxiliary will be holding a Boating Skills and Seamanship Course at DE State Police Troop 2, Newark, DE. It is a one day class starting at 8:00am. For information or to pre-register, contact John Schuster at (302)-454-1024.

KENT COUNTY

There is nothing available at this time. Please, check back later.

SUSSEX COUNTY

U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY, FLOTILLA 12-09

February 18th

The Coast Guard Auxiliary will be holding a Boating Skills and Seamanship Course at Short's Marine Showroom, Millsboro, DE. It is an eight week class starting at 7:00pm. For information or to pre-register, contact Andy Smith at (302)-537-2350.

CAPTAIN COURSES

CAPTAIN'S LICENSE PREPARATORY COURSE

Charter Captain's License Courses are held at the Delaware Technical & Community College, Georgetown, DE. Classes start the first Tuesday in the months of February and September. This is a 12 week course, one night a week from 6:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. For information or to pre-register, contact Captain Ken Daniel or Captain Bill Tyndall at (410) 228-0674 or (410) 943-8133 or visit their website at www.rdboat.com