

One Day Seminars

Seminars are a great way to learn about a specific topic concentrated into a manageable, two-hour commitment. These focused sessions help you round out your understanding and knowledge of a variety of boating topics. Click on any seminar below to find out more.

- Boat Handling Under Power
- Advanced Powerboat Handling
- Anchoring
- Boating on Rivers, Locks, and Lakes
- Sail Trim and Rig Tuning
- Navigation
- Using GPS
- How to Use a Chart
- Basic Coastal Navigation
- Mariner's Compass
- Mastering the Rules of the Road
- Marine Radar
- Facing the Environment
- Basic Weather and Forecasting
- Hurricanes and Boats
- Tides and Currents
- Emergencies on Board
- Fuel and Boating
- Partner in Command
- Man Overboard
- Using VHF & VHF/DSC Marine Radio
- Techniques
- Knots, Bends, and Hitches
- Paddle Smart
- Trailer Your Boat
- Cruising
- Crossing Borders
- Hands On Skills
- Practical on the Water Training

Course Required under Florida Statute 327.395

Handling Emergencies -
Falling Overboard
Out of Fuel
Swamping/Capsizing
Running Aground
Fire & Medical Emergencies

Piloting with Navigational Charts
Determining Position
Plotting a Course
Compass Use
Calculating Distance, Speed & Time

Aids to Navigation
Channel Marks & Buoys
Danger Marks & Buoys

Boat Handling
Crossing Large Wakes
Towing
Sound & Light Signals
Passing, Crossing & Overtaking Vessels
Adverse Weather

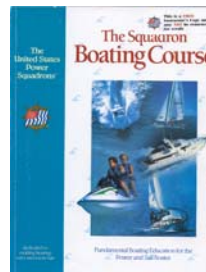
Federal, State & Local Laws & Regulations
Inland & International Rules
Florida Law
Local Ordinances

Knots & Lines
Marlinspike
Anchoring
Mooring/Securing Vessel to a Dock

Marine Radio Requirements & Procedures
FCC Licensing Requirement
Operating Procedures
Proper Channel Selection & Use

And So Much More . . . We offer a natural progression of courses, from beginner to advanced, for any boater. These are comprehensive, in-depth courses that typically run between 6 and 8 weeks.

Seamanship
Piloting and Navigation
Advanced Piloting
Celestial navigation
Electronic Navigation
Engine Maintenance
Marine Electronics
Weather
Sail
Cruising and Cruise Planning



A Message from

Central Florida Sail & Power Squadrons
Unit of the United States Power Squadrons

Boating is meant to create joyful memories that last a lifetime. But, for over 671 families in Florida last year, their memories are quite different. What they'll remember from their boating experience is painful. According to the 2015 statistics from the United States Coast Guard, 52 people died, 390 people were injured and more than \$9.8 million in property damages resulted from boating accidents in Florida alone. In fact, of those boaters in Florida who died in boating accidents last year most were operating vessels under 26 feet.

So how can you reduce your chances of having a bad day on the water?

Easy . . .

- **Take a Boating Course** (*Florida Law 327.395*)
71% of boaters who died had no boating education
- **Get a Courtesy Vessel Safety Check**
- **Wear Your Life Jacket While on the Water!**
85% who drowned in accidents didn't wear one

For More Information
www.cflsps.com

Call 407-831-9547

Take the Squadron's Boating Course

The vast majority of boating accidents are caused by operator controllable factors and not by boat, equipment or environmental factors. **7 out of every 10 boaters you'll see on the water today have never had any formal instruction on operating their boat!**

For the Next Course in Your Area
Call 407-831-9547

Get a Vessel Safety Check

What equipment am I required to have when on the water? Is my boat in compliance with federal, state and local laws? What equipment should I have for my boat and the type of boating I do?

In minutes, Coast Guard trained Power Squadron Vessel Examiners can answer your questions and certify your boat. It's fast. It's free. And the Coast Guard Examination Sticker on your windshield shows law enforcement officers you care about the safety and welfare of your passengers and crew.

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Wear Your Life Jacket ~ More than 60% of boating fatalities result from capsizing, falling overboard, swimming or swamping. It was the sudden and unexpected in-water experience that turned a great day of boating into a fatal situation.

Does wearing a life jacket help?

In Florida, 44 of the 52 people who died in boating accidents in 2015 would be alive today if they had just worn their life jackets.



www.SafeBoatingCampaign.com

Advantages of taking USPS Boating Course

- Save up to 15% on Your Boat Insurance;
- Comply with Florida's Boat Operators Licensing/Compulsory Education Laws;
- Refresh Your Knowledge About Proper Boating Practices, Florida Laws, Navigation and Seamanship;
- Meet other people like you, who love to boat;

It's Fun, It's Free, It's For You*

Classes for 2016-17

State of Florida Boating Course	May 23
Seamanship Course	July 11
Boating for Couples	July 30
GPS/Radar Navigation Seminar	August 27
Piloting Course	August 29
State of Florida Boating Course	September 19
Advanced Piloting Course	January 9

For More Information on These Classes
Call 407-831-9547

For Information Regarding Other Classes
in Your Area
Call 888-367-8777

*Classes meet once a week for six weeks.
Seminars are 4 hours. Lunch provided.
Instruction is free.
There is a modest charge for instructional materials.

Other Courses For 2016



Boating for Couples

(a.k.a. "How to Keep From Killing Your Spouse When Boating")

This 4 hour seminar taught by husband & wife instructors is designed for couples who operate a boat as a team.

It provides a humorous and practical guide to captain/crew management on today's pleasure craft.

Designed for boaters and crew members with little or basic boating knowledge, it provides essential information to assist the skipper in the proper operation of a recreational boat including handling emergencies.

Captains learn crew/passenger management skills, how to delegate duties and communicate effectively.

First Mates learn how to anticipate commands, boat handling protocols and practices including boating terms and basic knot tying.

You'll learn the why's and how to's of effective team boating including how to effectively communicate between Captain and crew (without yelling); avoiding the "blame game," VHF marine radio use, docking, anchoring, boat ramp protocols and procedures; "emergency landings"; boat prep; safety issues; equipment required and equipment recommended; first aid; fire extinguisher demonstrations; tool kits; signaling devices; starting, running and stopping engines; calling for help; maneuvering; "where am I?" and more.

Seminar is scheduled for July 30, 2016