

BOAT OWNERSHIP

Education Module

Learning Objectives:

As a result of this session the participant should:

- Become knowledgeable of the boat acquisition process
- Be aware of the required paperwork for boat ownership
- Be acquainted the functions of boating clubs and associations
- Become familiar with the contents of a boat operator's manual
- Understand boat operation responsibility

Resources:

Boating Skills & Seamanship, eleventh Edition, U.S. Coast guard Auxiliary, Chapter 1
The Squadron Boating Course 2001, The United States Power Squadrons, Section 10
Chapman Piloting Seamanship & Small Boat Handling, 62nd Edition, Hearst Marine Books, Chapter 2

Material and Equipment:

Equipment Items

Overhead Projector, as required by instructor

Material Items

Provide one copy for each participant:

Handout Packet (Contains the following 6 items)

Boat Buyer's Checklist

Boat Evaluation and Marine Surveying Information Handout

Boat Financing and Insurance Information Handout

State Boat Registration Authority Handout

U.S. Coast Guard Marine Safety Office Handout

National Associations and Organizations Handout

CG-3865 Accident Report Form (Rev. 9/95)

Instructor Qualification:

U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Trainer, U.S. Power Squadron Instructor, Council Venturing Trainer or equivalent

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Time Allocation: 1.5 Hours

Session Plan:

Classroom Session

1. Module Introduction.

- a. Introduce yourself and each member of the module staff.
- b. Explain the objectives of this module.
- c. Distribute the handout packet.

[Explain that this session will not cover Commercial Operations, Chartering, and Custom and provides material primarily for Class A, Class I, boats.]

2. Boat Acquisition. Refer to the “Boat Buyer’s Checklist” handout in the packet.

- a. Selecting the Right Boat.
Using the handout, explain some of the key criteria used in selecting the right boat.

- b. Boating Budget.
Explain the budget including purchase cost, mooring fees, anchorage fees operating equipment, safety equipment.

- c. Buying Used or New.
Describe advantages and disadvantages to buying a used or new boat.

- d. Buying Used. Refer to the “Boat Evaluation and Marine Surveying Information” handout in the packet.

Explain using published pricing reports for boat evaluation and the use of a brokerage business to support the purchase.

Explain that the use of a good marine surveyor’s report supports determining boat value for insurance and loan collateral. Mention that an on-water trial run should be part of any contract.

Refer to the “Boat Financing and Insurance Information” handout in the packet. Mention this handout lists only a few nation-wide finance and insurance agencies.

Explain that title documentation is a state function except in Alaska (US Coast Guard). Mention that title verification or searching can be state to state and can be

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expensive and inconclusive.

e. **Buying New.**

Explain that the purchasing process is less complicated as the dealer normally processes the transfer of title and provides assurance to warranties and other obligations.

3. Boat Ownership Paperwork.

a. **Registration Certificate.**

Explain that the Federal Boat Safety Act of 1971 (FBSA/71) establishes safety standards for boats and equipment, provides for state numbering systems and allows financial assistance to state boating safety programs.

Explain that boats must be registered in the state of primary use, even if the owner resides in a different state. Refer to the “State Boat Registration Authority” handout in the packet.

Define the state, “Certificate of Number”, form and the data it contains.

Explain that states issue validation stickers to be displayed in conjunction to the Certificate of Number as proof that the required fee has been paid.

[Explain that the FBSA/71 defined state numbering system is covered in the Federal Regulations education module.]

b. **Operator’s Safety Certificate.**

Explain that FBSA/71 provides for Operator’s Safety Certificates for numbered vessel operators, however, national regulations have not been issued. Some states do regulate young operators.

[Explain that information on state regulation of young operators is covered in the applicable State and Local Regulation education module.]

c. **Accident Reports.**

Explain that FBSA/71 sets minimum standards for reporting boat accidents, and that states can set more stringent criteria.

Explain that reports are filed with the state watercraft enforcement agency for the area in which the accident occurred.

Distribute a copy of the CG-3865 Accident Report Form and refer to the “US Coast Guard Marine Safety Office” in the handout packet as a source of the form.

[Explain that information on state unique accident reporting criteria is covered in the

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applicable State and Local Regulation education module.]

4. The Boating Community.

a. Explain that clubs support sailboat racing, and cruising, conduct inexpensive learn-to-sail programs and amateur sailing regattas and often have a large number of powerboat members. Also that clubs support Class or “one-design” racing in concert with regional racing associations.

b. Explain cruising associations provide cruising information, encourage members to publish member experiences, and provide sources for material, repair and insurance policies at group rates. Refer to the “National Associations and Organizations” in the packet. Mention the associations and organizations that support boating and sailing.

5. Boat Operator’s Manual.

a. Explain the purpose of a boat operator’s manual.

b. Describe the potential contents which can include published boat manuals, simple diagrams of each boat system, tagged connections and switches locations, notes on the size and specifications of running rigging or high wear parts, and location of spare parts kit. Racing skippers may keep sail trim settings and other controls, and cruising skippers should add a navigator’s log.

6. Boat Owner/Operator Responsibility.

Explain that the boat operator is responsible for the safety of the boat and all persons on-board, and must answer for the condition and conduct of the boat. Both the owner and operator are responsible if an injury occurs or if the boat causes any damage.

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BOAT BUYER'S CHECK LIST

BOAT MANUFACTURER

BOAT MODEL

BOAT IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

BOAT SUPPLIER

BOAT SUPPLIER TELEPHONE

BOAT SUPPLIER EMAIL ADDRESS

BOAT SUITABILITY

How many people will usually be aboard? _____

How long will people be aboard? _____

How often will people be aboard? _____

Will you have time to maintain this boat? _____

Do you have finances to properly equip this boat? _____

Have you prepared a budget? _____

How will the next buyer feel about the quality and price of boat? _____

Are you buying a boat with a predictable resale value? _____

Are you will to purchase a unique boat? _____

Has the boat been used in salt water or fresh water? _____

Are you willing to pay a marine surveyor for a "survey of condition"? _____

Can the buyer or seller act on the surveyor's recommendations? _____

NEW BOAT, Is seller willing to permit a survey? _____

Have you spoke to owners of similar boats at local clubs and marinas? _____

Have you checked on availability of storage at marinas and boatyards? _____

Have you obtained the associated costs? _____

Have you taken advantage of the U.S. Coast Guard's free
boat information service? _____

BOAT SAFETY

Will the crew feel secure on the foredeck? _____

Is the cockpit comfortable? _____

Does the cabin have a second exit? _____

Could someone fall against the lifelines and stay on board? _____

(Sailboat) Would a person slide of the seat at an extreme heel? _____

Can you stow five fenders and 60 feet of towing line, if necessary? _____

Can PFDs be put on without going below? _____

Does the safety equipment meet legal requirements? _____

Do fire extinguishers aboard have up-to-date inspections? _____

Are fire extinguishers accessible in case of engine or galley fires? _____

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BOAT STRUCTURE

- Are there any hard spots or distortions in the hull? _____
- Are the bulkheads, keel or deck structurally rigid? _____
- Are the bulkheads, keel, deck rigidly fastened to the hull? _____
- Are the rudder stock and propeller shafts straight? _____
- Are stainless steel or high quality alloy fittings used on the boat? _____
- Are repairs to gel-coat damage been properly done? _____
- Was damage caused by stress crazing (above waterline)? _____
- Was damage caused by osmosis blistering (below waterline)? _____
- Has the cooling and engine parts been effected by salt-water exposure? _____
- Does the cabin have a mildew smell? _____
- Do the decks or windows leak? _____

Wooden Boats

- Are there any soft spots where planks join stem, keel, stem or frames? _____
- Are there any rust spots from fasteners? _____

BOAT ELECTRICAL & MECHANICAL SYSTEMS

- Can seller verify that fuel and electrical system ventilation, and mechanical system installations meet Coast Guard recommendations and state laws? _____
- Can engine filters, intakes, caps be reached easy? _____
- Can fuel tanks be opened up for cleaning? _____
- Is there evidence that fuel and/or oil has leaked into the bilge? _____
- Are maintenance logs, manuals and warranty cards available for major items of equipment? _____
- Are seacocks rather than plumbers gate valves used for through-hull inlets and outlets? _____
- Are connections made with two stainless steel hose clamps? _____
- Are through-hull installations such as a depth sounder protected with emergency plugs? _____
- Has wiring been neatly done? _____
- Is the insulation at connections supple, or brittle from overheating? _____
- Is the boat properly grounded in case of a lightning strike? _____
- Are major metallic masses connected to a common ground plate with a high-current connector? _____
- Has electrolysis protection been installed? _____
- Has polarity indicators for shore power been installed? _____
- Is the seller willing to have every piece of electronic equipment checked for failures? _____
- Has the boat's compass been damaged (spot any bubbles or scratches)? _____
- Is the bilge pump electrically protected with filters and a reliable float? _____
- What equipment is available for bailing the bilge? _____

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**BOAT EVALUATION INFORMATION
AND
MARINE SURVEYING ASSOCIATIONS
HANDOUT**

BOAT EVALUATION INFORMATION

BUC Information Services
1314 N.E. 17th Court
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33305
Telephone: 954.565.6715 or 800.327.6929
Facsimile: 954.561.3095
Email: info@buc.com, Web: www.bucnet.com

N.A.D.A. Appraisal Guides
P.O. Box 7800
Costa Mesa, California
Telephone: 800.966.6232
Facsimile: 714.556.8715
Web: www.nadaguides.com

MARINE SURVEYING ASSOCIATIONS

National Association of Marine Surveyors (NAMS)
P.O. Box 9306
Chesapeake Virginia 23321-9306
Telephone: 800.822.6267
Facsimile: 757.488.0584
Email: office@nams-cms.org Web: www.nams-cms.org

Society of Accredited Marine Surveyors (SAMS)
4605 Cardinal Boulevard
Jacksonville, Florida 32210
Telephone: 904.384.1494 or 800.344.9077
Facsimile: 904.388.3958
Web: www.marinesurvey.org

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**BOAT FINANCING INFORMATION
AND
YACHT & CREW INSURANCE
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[Companies selected represent a sample of the industry. The Southern Region Yachting Initiative does not endorse these companies or their products.]

BOAT FINANCING INFORMATION

Essex Credit
P.O. Box 580
Essex, Connecticut 06426
Telephone: 860.767.2626 or 800.431.5626
Email: office@essexcredit.com Web: www.essexcredit.com

First Commercial Corporation of America
2331 Route 34 South
Manasquan, New Jersey 08736
Telephone: 732.223.6100 or 800.553.4778
Facsimile: 732.223.6234
Email: info@marineloans.com Web: www.boatfinance.com

First New England Financial
1600 S. S. 17 Street, Suite 300
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33316
Telephone: 800.380.6644
Facsimile: 954.763.1055
Web: www.fnegroup.com

Ganis Credit
8050 Seminole Office Center
Seminole, Florida 33772
Telephone: 800.234.4446
Facsimile: 800.329.5994
Web: www.ganiscredit.com

Global Capital Financial Services
101 16th Avenue S., Suite 5
St. Petersburg, Florida 33701
Telephone: 727.536.5626
Facsimile: 727.536.7729
Email: info@globalcapital.com Web: www.financialservices.com

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YACHT & CREW INSURANCE

BOAT/U.S.
880 South Pickett Street
Alexandria, Virginia 22304-4606
Telephone: 703.823.9550
Facsimile: 703.461.2847
Web: www.boatus.com

John G. Alden Insurance Group
1300S. E. 17th Street, suite 220
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33316
Telephone: 800.330.3370 or 954.525.0582
Facsimile: 954.525.0588
Email: fatlass@aldeninsurance.com
Web: www.aldeninsurance.com

National Marine Underwriters
410 Severn Avenue, Suite 207
Annapolis Maryland 21403
Telephone: 800.262.8467
Facsimile: 410.268.9764
Web: www.nmu.com

NBOA Marine Insurance
4404 North Tamiami Trail
Sarasota, Florida 34234
Telephone: 800.248.3512 or 941.360.6777
Facsimile: 941.360.6888
Email: info@nboat.com Web: www.nboat.com

West Marine Boat Insurance Service
P.O. Box 10265
Birmingham, Alabama 35282-8721
Telephone: 800.937.8895
Facsimile: 205.581.9447
Web: www.westmarine.com

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**STATE BOAT REGISTRATION AUTHORITY
HANDOUT**

SOUTHERN REGION, B.S.A.

ALABAMA

Area 1, 4

Boat Registration Supervisor
Marine Police Division
Department of Conservation & Natural Resources
64 North Union Street, Room 438
Montgomery, Alabama 36130-1451

ARKANSAS

Area 2, 3

Manager, Registration
Department of Finance & Administration
P.O. Box 1272 Revenue Division
Little Rock, Arkansas 72203

FLORIDA

Area 4

Department of Environmental Protection
Division of Law Enforcement
3900 Commonwealth Boulevard
Mail Station 630
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000

GEORGIA

Area 4,5,6

Boating Registration Unit
2189 Northlake Parkway
Tucker, Georgia 30084

KENTUCKY

Area 6

Title Branch
Natural Resources & Environmental Cabinet
Kentucky Water Patrol
107 Mero Street
Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

LOUISIANA

Area 1, 2

Motorboat Registration
Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
PO Box 14796
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70898-4796

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MISSISSIPPI

Licenses & Registration
Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks
PO Box 451
Jackson, Mississippi 39205

Area 1, 6

NORTH CAROLINA

Titling & Registration
North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission
322 Chapanoke Road
Raleigh, North Carolina 27603

Area 5, 7

OKLAHOMA

Boat & Motor Division
409 N. E. 28th
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105

Area 2, 3

SOUTH CAROLINA

Titling & Registration
P.O. Box 167
Columbia, South Carolina 29202

Area 5

TENNESSEE

Boat Registration
Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency
P.O. Box 40747
Nashville, Tennessee 37204-9979

Area 6

TEXAS

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department
4200 Smith School Road
Austin, Texas 78744

Area 2, 3

VIRGINIA

Boating Law Administrator
Department of Game and Inland Fisheries
PO Box 11104
Richmond, Virginia 23230-1104

Area 7

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CENTRAL REGION, B.S.A.
(For Councils with Counties in Central Region)

ILLINOIS

Boat Registration & Titling
Department of Conservation
Division of Law Enforcement
524 South Second Street
Springfield, Illinois 62701-1787

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INDIANA

Bureau of Motor Vehicles
Department of Natural Resources
ICGN, Room 409
100 North Senate Avenue
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

SR Area 6

WEST VIRGINIA

Division of Motor Vehicles
Division of Natural Resources
Capitol Complex Building 3
Charleston, West Virginia 25305

SR Area 7

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**U.S. COAST GUARD MARINE SAFETY OFFICE
HANDOUT**

SOUTHERN REGION, B.S.A.

ALABAMA

Area 1, 4

Commanding Officer
U.S. Coast Guard, Marine Safety Office
P.O. Box 2924
Mobile, Alabama 36652-2924
Telephone: 205.671.5199

ARKANSAS

Area 2, 3

None

FLORIDA

Area 4

Commanding Officer
U.S. Coast Guard, Marine Safety Office
7820 Arlington Expressway, Suite 400
Jacksonville, Florida 32211-7445
Telephone: 904.232.2640

Commanding Officer
U.S. Coast Guard, Marine Safety Office
Claude Pepper Federal Building
51 S.W. 1st Avenue, 5th Floor
Miami, Florida 33130-1608
Telephone: 305.536.5691

Commanding Officer
U.S. Coast Guard, Marine Safety Office
155 Columbia Drive
Tampa, Florida 33606-3598
Telephone: 813.228.2191

GEORGIA

Area 4,5,6

Commanding Officer
U.S. Coast Guard, Marine Safety Office
P.O. Box 8191
Savannah, Georgia 31412-8191
Telephone: 912.652.4371

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KENTUCKY

Area 6

Commanding Officer
U.S. Coast Guard, Marine Safety Office
235 Tully Street
Paducah, Kentucky 42002-7509
Telephone: 502.442.1621

Commanding Officer
U.S. Coast Guard, Marine Safety Office
600 Martin Luther King Jr. Place, Room 360
Louisville, Kentucky 40202-2230
Telephone: 502.582.5194

LOUISIANA

Area 1, 2

Commanding Officer
U.S. Coast Guard, Marine Safety Office
800 David Drive, Room 232
Morgan City, Louisiana 70380-1304
Telephone: 504.384.2406

Commanding Officer
U.S. Coast Guard, Marine Safety Office
1440 Canal Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70112-2711
Telephone: 504.589.6196

MISSISSIPPI

Area 1, 6

None

NORTH CAROLINA

Area 5, 7

Commanding Officer
U.S. Coast Guard, Marine Safety Office
272 N. Front Street, Suite 500
Wilmington, North Carolina 28401-3907
Telephone: 919.343.4882

OKLAHOMA

Area 2, 3

None

SOUTH CAROLINA

Area 5

Commanding Officer
U.S. Coast Guard, Marine Safety Office
196 Tradd Street
Charleston, South Carolina 29401-1817
Telephone: 803.724.7683

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TENNESSEE

Area 6

Commanding Officer
U.S. Coast Guard, Marine Safety Office
200 Jefferson Avenue, Suite 1301
Memphis, Tennessee 38103-2300
Telephone: 901.544.3941

TEXAS

Area 2, 3

Commanding Officer
U.S. Coast Guard, Marine Safety Office
P.O. Box 1621
Corpus Christi, Texas 78403-1621
Telephone: 512.888.3192

Commanding Officer
U.S. Coast Guard, Marine Safety Office
P.O. Box 446
Galena Park, Texas 77547-0446
Telephone: 713.671.5199

Commanding Officer
U.S. Coast Guard, Marine Safety Office
Post Office Building, Room 301
601 Rosenberg
Galveston, Texas 77550-1705
Telephone: 409.766.3655

Commanding Officer
U.S. Coast Guard, Marine Safety Office
Federal Building
2875 75th Street & Highway 69
Port Arthur, Texas 77640-2099
Telephone: 409.723.6516

VIRGINIA

Area 7

Commanding Officer
U.S. Coast Guard, Marine Safety Office
200 Granby Mall
Norfolk, Virginia 23510-1888
Telephone: 804.441.3302

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CENTRAL REGION, B.S.A.
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ILLINOIS

Commanding Officer
U.S. Coast Guard, Marine Safety Office
235 Tully Street
Paducah, Kentucky 42002-7509
Telephone: 502.442.1621

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INDIANA

Commanding Officer
U.S. Coast Guard, Marine Safety Office
600 Martin Luther King Jr. Place, Room 360
Louisville, Kentucky 40202-2230
Telephone: 502.582.5194

SR Area 6

WEST VIRGINIA

Commanding Officer
U.S. Coast Guard, Marine Safety Office
1415 6th Avenue
Huntington, West Virginia 25701-2420
Telephone: 304.529.5524

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**NATIONAL
ASSOCIATIONS AND ORGANIZATIONS
HANDOUT**

The American Boat & Yacht Council, Inc. (ABYC)

3069 Solomon's Island Road
Edgewater, Maryland 21037-1416
Telephone: 410.956.1050
Facsimile: 410.956.2737

American Power Boat Association (APBA)

17640 E. Nine Mile Road
P.O. Box 377
Eastpointe, Michigan 48021
Telephone: 810.773.9700
Facsimile: 810.733.6490

BOAT U.S. Foundation

880 South Pickett Street
Alexandria, Virginia 22304-4606
Telephone: 703.823.9550
Facsimile: 703.461.2847

Marine Department of Underwriters Laboratories (UL)

12 Laboratory Drive
P.O. Box 13995
Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27709-3995
Telephone: 919.549.1400
Facsimile: 919.547.6000

National Fire Protection Association (NPA)

1 Batterymarch Park
Quincy, Massachusetts 02269
Telephone: 617.770.4543
Facsimile: 617.770.0700

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National Marine Manufacturers Association (NMMA)

200 E. Randolph Drive, Suite 5100
Chicago, Illinois 60601
Telephone: 312.946.6200
Facsimile: 312.946.0388

United Safe Boating Institute

1504 Blue Ridge Road
Raleigh, North Carolina 27607
Telephone: 919.821.0281
Facsimile: 919.836.0813
For information on boating courses,
Call 1.800.336.BOAT

United States Sailing Association (USSA)

P.O. Box 1260
15 Maritime Drive
Portsmouth, Rhode Island 02871-6015
Telephone: 401.683.8614
Facsimile: 401.683.0840

Yacht Architects & Brokers Association

580 Bellerive Drive, Suite 5B
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
Telephone: 410.349.8614
Facsimile: 410.349.8616

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
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BOATING ACCIDENT REPORT

FORM APPROVED OMB NO. 2115-0010

STATE ASSIGNED CASE NO. _____

THE OPERATOR/OWNER OF A VESSEL USED FOR RECREATIONAL PURPOSES IS REQUIRED TO FILE A REPORT IN WRITING WHENEVER AN ACCIDENT RESULTS IN: LOSS OF LIFE OR DISAPPEARANCE FROM A VESSEL; AN INJURY WHICH REQUIRES MEDICAL TREATMENT BEYOND FIRST AID; OR PROPERTY DAMAGE IN EXCESS OF \$500 OR COMPLETE LOSS OF THE VESSEL. REPORTS IN DEATH AND INJURY CASES MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN 48 HOURS. REPORTS IN OTHER CASES MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN 10 DAYS. REPORTS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE REPORTING AUTHORITY IN THE STATE WHERE THE ACCIDENT OCCURRED. THIS FORM IS PROVIDED TO ASSIST THE OPERATOR IN FILING THE REQUIRED WRITTEN REPORT.

COMPLETE ALL BLOCKS (INDICATE THOSE NOT APPLICABLE BY "NA")

ACCIDENT DATA

DATE OF ACCIDENT	TIME	AM PM	NAME OF BODY OF WATER	LOCATION (GIVE LOCATION PRECISELY)
NUMBER OF VESSELS INVOLVED	NEAREST CITY OR TOWN	COUNTY	STATE	ZIP CODE
WEATHER (CHECK ALL APPLICABLE) [] CLEAR [] RAIN [] CLOUDY [] SNOW [] FOG [] HAZY	WATER CONDITIONS [] CALM (WAVES LESS THAN 6") [] CHOPPY (WAVES 6" TO 2') [] ROUGH (WAVES 2' TO 6") [] VERY ROUGH (GREATER THAN 6") [] STRONG CURRENT	TEMPERATURE (ESTIMATE) AIR _____ °F WATER _____ °F	WIND [] NONE [] LIGHT (0-6 MPH) [] MODERATE (7-14 MPH) [] STRONG (15-25 MPH) [] STORM (OVER 25 MPH)	VISIBILITY DAY NIGHT [] GOOD [] [] FAIR [] [] POOR []
NAME OF OPERATOR		OPERATOR ADDRESS		
OPERATOR TELEPHONE NUMBER ()	DATE OF BIRTH MO DAY YR	OPERATOR'S EXPERIENCE [] NONE [] UNDER 100 HOURS [] ≥ 100 HOURS	INSTRUCTION IN BOATING SAFETY [] STATE COURSE [] U.S. POWER SQUADRON [] USCG AUXILIARY [] AMERICAN RED CROSS [] NONE	
[] MALE [] FEMALE	NAME OF OWNER			
OWNER TELEPHONE NUMBER ()		NUMBER OF PEOPLE ON BOARD	NUMBER OF PEOPLE BEING TOWED	RENTED BOAT? [] YES [] NO

BOAT NO. 1 (THIS VESSEL)

BOAT REGISTRATION OR DOCUMENTATION NUMBER	STATE	HULL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER	BOAT NAME
BOAT MANUFACTURER	LENGTH	MODEL	YEAR BUILT
TYPE OF BOAT [] OPEN MOTORBOAT [] CABIN MOTORBOAT [] AUXILIARY SAIL [] SAIL (ONLY) [] ROWBOAT [] CANOE/KAYAK [] PERSONAL WATERCRAFT [] PONTOON BOAT [] HOUSEBOAT [] OTHER (SPECIFY)	HULL MATERIAL [] WOOD [] ALUMINUM [] STEEL [] FIBERGLASS [] RUBBER/VINYL/CANVAS [] RIGID HULL INFLATABLE [] OTHER (SPECIFY)	ENGINE [] OUTBOARD [] INBOARD [] INBOARD-STERNDRIVE (I/O) [] AIRBOAT	PROPULSION [] PROPELLER [] WATER JET [] AIR THRUST [] MANUAL [] SAIL
PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES (PFDS): WAS BOAT ADEQUATELY EQUIPPED WITH COAST GUARD APPROVED PFDS? [] YES [] NO WERE PFDS ACCESSIBLE? [] YES [] NO		FUEL [] GASOLINE [] DIESEL [] ELECTRIC	NUMBER OF ENGINES TOTAL HORSEPOWER
FIRE EXTINGUISHERS ON BOARD? [] YES [] NO USED? [] YES [] NO		WHAT CONTRIBUTED TO ACCIDENT? (CHECK ALL APPLICABLE) [] WEATHER [] EXCESSIVE SPEED [] IMPROPER LOOKOUT [] RESTRICTED VISION [] OVERLOADING [] IMPROPER LOADING [] HAZARDOUS WATERS [] ALCOHOL USE [] DRUG USE [] HULL FAILURE [] MACHINERY FAILURE [] EQUIPMENT FAILURE [] OPERATOR INEXPERIENCE [] OPERATOR INATTENTION [] CONGESTED WATERS [] PASSENGER/SKIER BEHAVIOR [] DAM/LOCK [] OTHER (SPECIFY)	
OPERATION AT TIME OF ACCIDENT (CHECK ALL APPLICABLE) [] CRUISING [] CHANGING DIRECTION [] CHANGING SPEED [] DRIFTING [] TOWING [] BEING TOWED [] ROWING/PADDLING [] SAILING [] LAUNCHING [] DOCKING/UNDocking [] AT ANCHOR [] TIED TO DOCK/MOORED [] OTHER (SPECIFY)	ACTIVITY AT TIME OF ACCIDENT (CHECK ANY IF APPLICABLE) [] FISHING [] TOURNAMENT [] HUNTING [] SWIMMING/DIVING [] MAKING REPAIRS [] WATERSKIING/TUBING/ETC. [] RACING [] WHITEWATER SPORTS [] FUELING [] STARTING ENGINE [] NON-RECREATIONAL [] OTHER (SPECIFY)	TYPE OF ACCIDENT [] GROUNDING [] CAPSIZING [] FLOODING/SWAMPING [] SINKING [] FIRE OR EXPLOSION (FUEL) [] FIRE OR EXPLOSION (OTHER) [] SKIER MISHAP [] COLLISION WITH VESSEL [] COLLISION WITH FIXED OBJECT [] COLLISION WITH FLOATING OBJ. [] FALLS OVERBOARD [] FALLS IN BOAT [] STRUCK BY BOAT [] STRUCK BY MOTOR/PROPELLER [] STRUCK SUBMERGED OBJECT [] OTHER (SPECIFY)	
ESTIMATED SPEED [] NONE [] UNDER 10 MPH [] 10 - 20 MPH [] 21 - 40 MPH [] OVER 40 MPH	[] HIT AND RUN		

DECEASED (IF MORE THAN 2 FATALITIES, ATTACH ADDITIONAL FORMS)			
NAME OF VICTIM		ADDRESS OF VICTIM	
DATE OF BIRTH		DEATH CAUSED BY	
[] MALE [] FEMALE		[] DROWNING [] OTHER [] DISAPPEARANCE	
NAME OF VICTIM		ADDRESS OF VICTIM	
DATE OF BIRTH		DEATH CAUSED BY	
[] MALE [] FEMALE		[] DROWNING [] OTHER [] DISAPPEARANCE	
INJURED (IF MORE THAN 2 INJURIES, ATTACH ADDITIONAL FORMS)			
NAME OF VICTIM		ADDRESS OF VICTIM	
DATE OF BIRTH		DESCRIBE INJURY	
MEDICAL TREATMENT BEYOND FIRST AID? ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL?		[] YES [] NO [] YES [] NO	
WAS PFD WORN? WAS IT INFLATABLE?		PRIOR TO ACCIDENT? AS A RESULT OF ACCIDENT?	
[] YES [] NO [] YES [] NO		[] YES [] NO [] YES [] NO	
NAME OF VICTIM		ADDRESS OF VICTIM	
DATE OF BIRTH		DESCRIBE INJURY	
MEDICAL TREATMENT BEYOND FIRST AID? ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL?		[] YES [] NO [] YES [] NO	
WAS PFD WORN? WAS IT INFLATABLE?		PRIOR TO ACCIDENT? AS A RESULT OF ACCIDENT?	
[] YES [] NO [] YES [] NO		[] YES [] NO [] YES [] NO	
OTHER PEOPLE ABOARD THIS BOAT (IF MORE THAN 2 PEOPLE, ATTACH ADDITIONAL FORMS)			
NAME		ADDRESS	
DATE OF BIRTH		DESCRIBE INJURY	
WAS PFD WORN? AS A RESULT OF ACCIDENT?		PRIOR TO ACCIDENT? WAS IT INFLATABLE?	
[] YES [] NO [] YES [] NO		[] YES [] NO [] YES [] NO	
NAME		ADDRESS	
DATE OF BIRTH		DESCRIBE INJURY	
WAS PFD WORN? AS A RESULT OF ACCIDENT?		PRIOR TO ACCIDENT? WAS IT INFLATABLE?	
[] YES [] NO [] YES [] NO		[] YES [] NO [] YES [] NO	
BOAT NO. 2 (IF MORE THAN 2 VESSELS, ATTACH ADDITIONAL IDENTIFYING INFORMATION)			
NAME OF OPERATOR		OPERATOR ADDRESS	
OPERATOR TELEPHONE NUMBER ()		BOAT REGISTRATION OR DOCUMENTATION NUMBER STATE	
NAME OF OWNER		OWNER ADDRESS	
OWNER TELEPHONE NUMBER ()			
PROPERTY DAMAGE			
ESTIMATED AMOUNT: THIS BOAT AND CONTENTS:		OTHER BOAT(S) AND CONTENTS:	
\$		\$	
DESCRIBE PROPERTY DAMAGED		OTHER PROPERTY: \$	
WITNESSES NOT ON THIS VESSEL			
NAME		ADDRESS	
NAME		ADDRESS	
TELEPHONE NUMBER ()		TELEPHONE NUMBER ()	
PERSON COMPLETING REPORT			
NAME		ADDRESS	
SIGNATURE		QUALIFICATION	
		[] OPERATOR [] OWNER [] INVESTIGATOR [] OTHER	
DATE SUBMITTED			
FOR AGENCY USE ONLY			
CAUSES BASED ON (CHECK ONE): [] THIS REPORT [] INVESTIGATION [] INVESTIGATION AND THIS REPORT [] OTHER			
NAME OF REVIEWING OFFICE		DATE RECEIVED	
		RECREATIONAL [] NON-REPORTABLE [] COMMERCIAL []	
PRIMARY CAUSE		SECONDARY CAUSE	

ACCIDENT DESCRIPTION

DESCRIBE WHAT HAPPENED (SEQUENCE OF EVENTS. INCLUDE FAILURE OF EQUIPMENT. INCLUDE A DIAGRAM IF NEEDED. CONTINUE ON ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY. INCLUDE ANY INFORMATION REGARDING THE INVOLVEMENT OF ALCOHOL AN/OR DRUGS IN CAUSING OR CONTRIBUTING TO THE ACCIDENT. INCLUDE ANY DESCRIPTIVE INFORMATION ABOUT THE USE OF PFD'S.)

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