



**STATEMENT OF POLICY
ON TEACHING BOATING SAFETY COURSES
BETWEEN
THE PENNSYLVANIA FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION'S
BUREAU OF BOATING AND EDUCATION
AND
THE UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRONS**



This statement of policy is between the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission's Bureau of Boating and Education (hereafter referred to as Commission) and the United States Power Squadrons (hereafter referred to as USPS). In furtherance of their mutual goals, the Commission and the USPS agree to work together according to the guidelines for activities set forth below, to work in mutual cooperation in teaching boating safety courses, and to ultimately create a safer operating experience for Pennsylvania boaters.

I. The USPS agrees to:

- A. schedule and administer boating safety courses in Pennsylvania through USPS administrative structure.
- B. continue to conduct and administer boating safety courses in accordance with the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA) guidelines and course requirements.
- C. utilize appropriate state pamphlets covering Pennsylvania boating laws in conducting USPS NASBLA approved courses.
- D. provide to the Commission information on the date, time and location of public boating safety courses, along with the name and telephone number of a contact person.
- E. issue each student who successfully completes the USPS NASBLA approved course a Certificate of Completion.
- F. have each student who attends the legal requirement part(s) and successfully completes a USPS boating safety course fill out a Commission supplied application for boating safety certification.
- G. review the applications for boating safety certification to assure they are filled out correctly by the students and send the applications to the Commission for certificates to be issued.
- H. document that state specific information was taught and the Commission-supplied exam was administered.
- I. appoint a state liaison to be the point of contact to work directly with the Commission in the execution of this program.

II. The Commission agrees to:

- A. recognize successful completion of the USPS NASBLA approved courses as meeting state boating education requirements.
- B. provide up to ten examination questions on state specific laws and regulations.
- C. issue, upon application, a Boating Safety Certificate to all students successfully completing the USPS NASBLA approved courses.
- D. provide appropriate state pamphlets and other materials for each student attending the USPS NASBLA approved courses.

- E. provide employees to serve as guest speakers to teach Pennsylvania legal requirements when available.
- F. provide workshops to USPS instructors teaching Pennsylvania laws and regulations.
- G. send USPS instructors periodic updates concerning changes in state boating laws and regulations.

III. Duration of Agreement:

- A. This agreement remains in effect until canceled. The canceling party will provide a 30-day written notice to the other party.
- B. A representative of each party will review the agreement biannually for the purpose of making any necessary revisions.

IV. Liaison:

- A. Liaisons shall be as follows:

For the Commission


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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said parties have herewith set their hands and seals as of the day and year first above written.

United States Power Squadrons

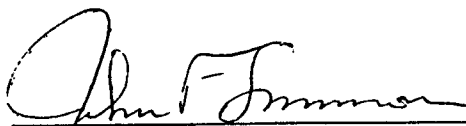


Chief Commander

9/10/97

Date

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania



Bureau of Boating and Education Director
PA Fish and Boat Commission

8/28/97

Date