Choose Life

Boat Smart from the Start
and enjoy safe boating for life.

Life Jackets should be worn by everyone when boating. Alaska’s cold water kills good swimmers every year. By law, life jackets must be carried for each person, be readily accessible, in good condition, and fit the intended wearer. Persons under 13 must wear life jackets when in an open boat or on an open deck.

Respect
- the hull, engine, electrical, fuel, steering and ventilation systems.
- Environment to make sure you have all legally required equipment, and recommended items such as: survival gear, adequate clothing, first aid kit, tools, spare parts, adequate fuel (1/3 out, 1/3 back, 1/3 spare), a paddle, VHF radio, manual bailing devices, anchors, charts and tide tables.

Educate
- local hazards, forecasts and weather conditions.

File a Float Plan
Let someone know where you are going, who’s onboard, when you’ll return and who to notify if you are overdue. Include a description of your boat and registration numbers. Leave a copy on the dashboard of your car.

www.alaskaboatingsafety.org

Take boating courses and educate your passengers. Do your passengers know how to start, stop and steer the boat? Do they know how to use emergency equipment? For additional safety information, call the State Office of Boating Safety (907) 264-8706 or visit our website at:

Registration
Fire extinguisher
Navigation lights
Sound producing devices
Visual distress signals

ALASKA BOAT REGISTRATION

Life jacket