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Children under age 13 must wear a life jacket while on a vessel. Make sure life jackets fit properly and are in good condition.

Parents- be the role model for your child and wear your life jacket too. Do it for your family. Over ¾ of all fatal boating accident victims drowned and of those 84% were reported as not wearing a life jacket. Don't make Law Enforcement have to tell your family you will not be coming home. A life jacket is the cheapest life insurance policy you can buy!

# **OBEY AND FOLLOW NAVIGATION RULES**

Operator inattention, imporoper lookout, operator inexperience, excessive speed, and alcohol rank as the top five primary contributing factors in boating accidents.

Even though there are no yellow lines on the water, there are still "Rules of the Road" you must follow.

You are the Captain of your vessel, not the source of entertainment.

- ✓ Always keep a proper lookout
- ✓ Don't be a distracted driver
- ✓ Always maintain a safe speed for the conditions
- ✓ Know if you are the Stand-On or Give-Way vessel in every situation
- Courtesy can take you a long way on the water









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# Don't Drink and Boat

Alcohol is the leading contributing factor in all recreational boating fatalities.

Alcohol can impair a boaters judgement, balance, vision, and reaction time. Combined with the sun, wind, noise and motion of a boat you can quickly run into a dangerous situation.

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