

2008 VESSEL SAFETY CHECK SCHEDULE

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. unless noted otherwise
Subject to Change or Cancellation
Vessel Safety Checks are FREE

Mar 15..... Marine Sales Boat Show
Pickwick Landing State Park

Apr 12..... Jim Bennett Boat Show, Iuka, MS
9 a.m.–4 p.m. Aqua Yacht Harbor Open House

Apr 26.....Lock 6 Boat Ramp, Killen

May 17.....Florence Harbor Boat Ramp

May 31.....First Creek Boat Ramp, Rogersville

Jun 7.....Florence Harbor Boat Ramp

Jun 21.....First Creek Boat Ramp, Rogersville

Jul 12.....Florence Harbor Boat Ramp

Jul 26.....Lock 6 Boat Ramp, Killen

Aug 9..... National Marina Day
9 a.m.–4 p.m. Grand Harbor Marina, Iuka, MS

Aug 23.....First Creek Boat Ramp, Rogersville

Sep 6.....Florence Harbor Boat Ramp

Sep 20.....Lock 6 Boat Ramp, Killen

Oct 4.....First Creek Boat Ramp, Rogersville

Oct 18.....Florence Harbor Boat Ramp

BOATING SKILLS AND SEAMANSHIP COURSE SCHEDULE

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Offered through the UNA
Continuing Studies & Outreach Program.
For more info, call 256.765.4862 or visit
www.una.edu/conted (select Personal
Enrichment). UNA fee is \$39.00
Textbook and exam fee is \$25.00

Thursdays, Sep 4 – Nov 136 p.m – 8 p.m.
11-Lesson Course

ABOUT BOATING SAFELY COURSE SCHEDULE

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Class fee is \$25.00 for textbook and exam materials.

Location: AmSouth (Regions) Bank, 321 N.
Seminary St, Florence. Call 256.767.0546 for
info

Saturday, Apr 5 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Saturday, May 10 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Saturday, Jun 14 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Saturday, Jul 19 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Saturday, Aug 16 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Location: Lower Pickwick Lake;
Call 256.767.0546 or 731-632-3175

Saturday, TBA 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

2008 U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY BOATING SAFETY COURSE & VESSEL SAFETY CHECK SCHEDULE



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ABOUT BOATING SAFELY

This 8-9 hour long boating course presents the information needed to obtain a boat operator license or boater education certification in most states. This is the same course that we formerly offered as America's Boating Course or ABC; only the name has changed.

The course book may also be purchased for self-paced study. An appointment to take the course exam must be made when course study is completed. A course completion certificate is issued after the exam is passed.

Many boat insurance companies offer discounts on boating insurance to boaters who successfully complete About Boating Safely.

TOPICS INCLUDE

- ✓ Introduction to Boating
- ✓ Boating Law
- ✓ Boat Safety Equipment
- ✓ Safe Boating
- ✓ Navigation
- ✓ Boating Problems
- ✓ Trailering, Storing and Protecting Your Boat
- ✓ Hunting and Fishing, Water-skiing and River Boating

BOATING SKILLS & SEAMANSHIP

EIGHT-LESSON BASE COURSE

The 16-hour long base course is designed for experienced and novice boaters, and is more comprehensive than About Boating Safely (ABS).

Like ABS, this course presents the information needed to obtain a boat operator license or boater education certification in most states. This course also meets the educational requirements for the USCG Limited Operator of Uninspected Passenger Vessel (L-OUPV) License—often called the “Fishing Guide License”.

Many boat insurance companies offer discounts on boating insurance to boaters who successfully complete Boating Skills and Seamanship.

The base course consists of eight 2-hour length sessions.

Lesson 1 - Which Boat is For You
Lesson 2 - Equipment for Your Boat
Lesson 3 - Trailering Your Boat
Lesson 4 - Handling Your Boat
Lesson 5 - Your “Highway” Signs
Lesson 6 - The Rules of the Nautical Road
Lesson 7 - Inland Boating
Lesson 8 - Boating Safety

The following 2-hour sessions are presented at no extra cost:

Lesson 9 - Lines and Knots for Your Boat
Lesson 10 - Weather and Boating
Lesson 11 - Your Boat's Radio

VESSEL SAFETY CHECK

The Vessel Safety Check is a free educational and non-law enforcement activity. It helps a boat owner or operator confirm their boat meets both Federal and state legal and safety requirements. It also presents an opportunity to discuss boating safety topics that may be confusing or not well understood.

No citations are issued and the results of the safety check are not reported to law enforcement agencies. A decal is awarded and placed on boats that pass the safety check.

Examples of some of the items checked include:

- ✓ Life Jackets (PFDs)
- ✓ Registration and Numbering
- ✓ Navigation lights
- ✓ Ventilation
- ✓ Fire extinguishers
- ✓ Backfire flame arrestors
- ✓ Whistles and other sound-producing devices
- ✓ Visual distress signals
- ✓ Battery cover and connections

The Vessel Safety Check provides a risk-free way to learn that you meet the legal minimum Federal and state requirements and thus potentially avoiding a citation later.