



**Flotilla 59 Headquarters Building  
Sandsprit Park, Martin County.**

## What We Do

Flotilla 59 promotes safe boating through various programs and activities in Martin and St. Lucie counties.

All residents and visitors are invited to participate in our programs and activities by:

- Taking a Safe Boating Course
- Having their Vessel Inspected
- Joining the USCG Auxiliary

## Our story

Flotilla 59 celebrate d75 years of service to the Stuart and Treasure Coast area in April 2017. Started during the days when German U-Boat activity was suspected off our South Florida shores.

Today Flotilla 59's membership remains strong with nearly 55 members providing services to the public including Waterway Patrols, Boating Safety Courses, Vessel Safety Checks, and Public Outreach Activities.

## Contact Us

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# Safe Boating Courses

## About Boating Safely

Comprehensive full day course on boating safety and operation which upon successful completion students meet the requirements and obtain the *Florida Boating Safety Education ID Card*.

## Suddenly In Command

A workshop designed for those not generally at the helm so they can "be prepared" with the basics in case of an emergency. Topics include boating terms, operating principles and basics such as starting the engine, using the radio and what causes boating mishaps and how to minimize them, basic boat handling and what equipment should be on board.

## PWC Basics

A half day workshop providing an introductory level training to owners/operators of Personal Water Craft. The workshop covers the navigation rules, responsibility, safe operation and waterway markers necessary to operate safely.

## GPS for Mariners

A half day workshop focusing on the Global Positioning System (GPS) navigation equipment typically used by the recreational boater. The course discusses the GPS satellite network, basic mapping and charting principals and how the current GPS units can enhance the operator's tool kit for better navigation.

## Introduction to Marine Navigation

A 5-Hour workshop designed to benefit novice and intermediate sailboat and powerboat operators providing the basics on terminology, tools and procedures for plotting a course to a favorite location.

The workshop includes plotting several basic charting scenarios using the U.S. Coast Guard's 1210 Training Chart



## 2018 Safe Boating Education

**Flotilla 59  
Stuart Florida**

**Sandsprit Park**



# U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary - Flotilla 59 2018 Public Education Calendar

## January

20th - About Boating Safely

27th - GPS for Mariners

## February

10th - Intro To Marine Navigation

17th - About Boating Safely

## March

17th - About Boating Safely

24th - GPS for Mariners

## April

14th - Intro To Marine Navigation

21th - About Boating Safely

## May

19th - About Boating Safely

26th - GPS for Mariners

## June

9th - Intro To Marine Navigation

16th - About Boating Safely

## July

21st - About Boating Safely

28th - GPS for Mariners

## August

11th - Intro To Marine Navigation

18th - About Boating Safely

## September

15th - About Boating Safely

22nd - GPS for Mariners

## October

13th - Intro To Marine Navigation

20th - About Boating Safely

## November

18th - About Boating Safely

No  
Courses or Workshops  
In  
December

## Registration

Pre-registration is not required but appreciated and can be completed by either of the following:

- Calling 772-288-0509;
- emailing us at [Flotilla59@gmail.com](mailto:Flotilla59@gmail.com);
- On-Line via PayPal® ([www.cgau59.org](http://www.cgau59.org))

Please leave your name, a contact number and the number of people planning on attending.

## Location & Time

All courses and workshops begin at 9:00 am at the Flotilla 59 Headquarters Building. Flotilla 59 also offers these courses at off site locations for groups when requested.

## Fees

About Boating Safety (\$25)

GPS for Mariners (\$25)

Introduction to Marine Navigation (\$25)

Suddenly In Command (\$10)\*

PWC Basics (\$10)\*

\* - Group Courses call to schedule.

## ID Card Required

Effective October 1, 2011, any person born on or after January 1, 1988, must have completed a FWC approved boating education safety course in order to operate a vessel powered by a motor of 10 horsepower or more (including PWC's). This Florida Boating Safety ID card and a photographic ID must be carried at all times while operating said vessel.

No one under the age of 14 years of age may operate any PWC on Florida waters at any time even if such person possesses a Boating Safety Education Card. Reprinted from *The Florida Boater's Guide*.