

Bow Riding

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Bow riding refers to passengers riding with their legs dangling over the side of the boat's bow. It's dangerous because bow-riding passengers are significantly more likely to fall into the water. You can be hit by the boat or propeller. It is illegal in many states.

The Massachusetts law, [323 Mass. Reg. 2.07](#), says "A person operating a motorboat underway shall not permit anyone to ride or sit on the gunwales or on the decking of a bow, unless the motorboat is equipped with adequate guard rails to prevent persons from falling overboard." If caught you could be charged a significant fine.