

# UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AUXILIARY



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The division is off to a good start with 35 courses scheduled as of this report. I am hopeful that more will be loaded onto the national website later in the year. The break out is as follows:

- 10-01 (19) ABS classes
- 10-05 (8) ABS classes, (1) BSS class
- 10-06 (7) ABS classes
- 10-07 No classes scheduled yet.

The E-Directorate (national) is requiring, effective immediately, that ABS and BSS classes include a 25 slide Power Point presentation on laws that are unique to North Carolina. Thereafter, it will be followed by a State Supplemental 10 question final exam. The flotillas will have some flexibility on how this will be implemented into their normal class presentations. Suggested guidance has been forwarded to the FSO-PEs for implementation.

Additionally, a survey inquiring how students found out about our flotilla 10's course offerings, including identifying the age category the student fell into, will begin for any classes taught between March 1 and November 1. The vehicle used for capturing this information is a standardized registration form the FSO-PEs will use for every student no matter what the course they are taking. At the end of the survey period, FSO-PEs will photo copy all forms and send back to the District staff officer for analysis.

The National Association of Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA) is launching a nation-wide program called "*Spring Aboard*". This is a national campaign to inform and motivate boaters to prepare for the boating season by providing information on how to find and enroll in boating courses of all levels. The campaign runs for one week—March 18-24, 2018. I encourage FSO-PEs to learn more about this program by logging into: [www.nasbla.org](http://www.nasbla.org).

I am preparing for a D-Train presentation on the public education goals for 2018.

Respectfully submitted.

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