

VESSEL RENTAL ORIENTATION CHECKLIST

Life Jacket Requirements and Safety Equipment



- You must have one wearable life jacket for each person on board vessel.
- Children under age 13 must wear a life jacket while on a moving vessel, except inside a closed cabin.
- Life jacket must be the appropriate size and in good working condition.
- Life jackets must be readily accessible and NOT stored in a locked compartment.
- You must have one throwable ring buoy or square cushion on all vessels over 16' in length.
- You must have a fire extinguisher on all vessels with gas tank.
- You must have an observer or wide angle mirror to tow skiers.
- You must have navigation lights on during hours of darkness or low visibility.



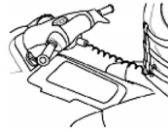
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PWC Operation and Responsibility

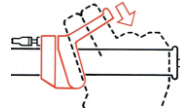


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PFD



- You must wear an appropriate personal flotation device (PFD) at all times while operating a PWC.
- Securely attach engine shut-off cord (lanyard) to your wrist or PFD (as directed) and wear it at all times. Then if you fall off the PWC, the engine will stop.
- Stopping the engine **will not** stop the forward motion of the PWC and **will** result in loss of steering.
- The throttle controls your speed. **Without thrust you cannot steer the PWC.**
- Only tow skiers with a 3 person PWC. You must have an observer on board to watch skier.
- PWC's are NOT allowed to operate during hours of darkness. Sunset today is at ____:____ PM
- Must be 12 years old to operate a PWC with Boat Education card **OR** with an adult.



Do Not Release Throttle when trying to Steer

- You need throttle to steer.
- Remember, PWC's and other boats **do not have brakes.**
- Keep **100 feet** away from people, objects and other boats.

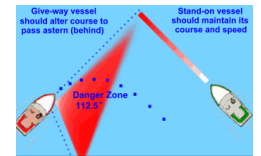


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Navigation Rules of the Road for Boating

Proper Lookout

- Scan constantly for people, objects and other boats on the water.
- Be alert for conditions that limit your visibility or block your vision of others
- Vessels on your right have the right of way, slow down and let them pass.
- Vessels approaching head on should pass each other on the right side safely.
- If you pass another vessel, allow enough room in case vessel makes a turn.
- Motorboats must yield to non-powered vessels, like a sail boat or canoe.



Yield to Vessels on Right

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Aids to Navigation



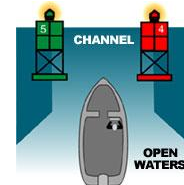
DIAMOND CROSS
This is a restricted area



CIRCLE
This is a controlled area



DIAMOND
This is a hazard area



Red on your Right
Returning up River

Boat Sober Don't Drink and Drive

Boating Under the Influence

- Using alcohol, drugs and prescription medication may impair my ability to operate this boat safely.
- I will not operate this boat or allow anyone else to operate this boat while under the influence.
- I understand that a skier or person on a tube can be arrested for skiing under the influence.

Operator Responsibility

- Operate at a safe speed. NO horseplay or reckless operation while operating a vessel.
- Keep **100 feet** away from people, objects and other boats if operating over idle speed.
- Do not jump wakes or waves around other vessels or persons in the water.
- Operate on the right side of narrow river channels or blind spots.
- Slow NO WAKE means idle speed!
- Must be 16 years old to operate any vessel 16 feet and longer, and must have a picture ID.
- Anyone born after January 1, 1998 must complete a Boat Education Course before operating a vessel.



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I have watched the required boat rental safety video, and I have been instructed on and understand the rules and information provided in this orientation.

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Signature of Vessel Renter

Signature of Boat Livery / GA Livery #

Type of Vessel Rented _____

Date ____/____/____

Vessel Rental Certification Card

STATE OF GEORGIA Vessel Rental Education Certification

This is to certify that

Has completed a course in Vessel Rental Education
as prescribed by Georgia Law
and in accordance with the standards established by the
Department of Natural Resources

Issue Date:

(Expiration date is six (6) months after issue date)

Georgia Boat Livery # **2-029**

BOAT LIVERY NAME: Lake Burton Boat Rentals

ADDRESS: O Marina Lane, Clarkesville, GA

The Georgia Vessel Rental Education Certificate allows any person over the age of 16 to rent and operate any vessel over 10 horsepower on the waters of the state. Operator must also carry a government issued picture ID card for verification. This certificate is only valid if issued by an approved boat livery with the Georgia Department of Natural Resources.

This certificate will expire six (6) months after date of issue.



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