

GULF STATES DIVE AND RESCUE

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Serving the Gulf Coast, Arkansas and private requests for marine safety training and services

Boater Moving Water Handling and Survivability

Moving water, contamination, uncooperative people and animals, power lines, lack of resources and many other factors can make flooding into populous very dangerous. It is always best to evacuate well before flooding impedes your escape. However, that's not always possible and local emergency services are often taxed creating long evacuation times and limited rescue capabilities. The newest addition to our Marine Safety Elements program, this workshop is designed to provide basic flood escape and neighbor assistance boating skills and information for civilians who decide that because of family, farm, or other challenge, it may be necessary for a civilian to remain behind until escape may require evacuation by a personal boat.

YOU AND YOUR BOAT WILL BE CHALLENGED

Each operator or team will participate in a variety of skills demonstrating precision, anticipation, victim recovery and control in lake like conditions. In moving water, you will demonstrate mastery of basic scene assessment, handling, throttling, team work, precision movement and control in a natural weir. This weir provides excellent experience as the hydrology seen is very similar to the hydrology you would expect to see during a levee, lock, dam or floodgate failure or other swift moving water through populous. These are many of the same skills we have taught to area fire, law enforcement and EMS teams across the state.





Vessel <u>must</u> be in good working order and legally allowed to operate on navigable waterways. Steering, engine and throttle in good working order. We recommend an aluminum prop on older boats or prop guard. If you would like a prop guard, we can help you with the purchase and installation. Please contact us for equipment and site specifics pertaining to the size and power of your boat. Upon completion, participants will receive a <u>Boater Moving Water Survivability wallet card and Certificate of Training.</u>

Completion of all skills in your vessel will earn a <u>Boater Moving Water Handling and Survivability Decal</u> for your vessel identifying you and your vessel to other First Responders as a *trained* asset, capable of working *side by side*, *communicating* in the same language and working *safely together* in many conditions. Some restrictions may apply according to the type of vessel you own. You must own the vessel or ride with someone that does. Boat available for rent.

Equipment: <u>Safety equipment is included in the price*</u>
70ft rope throw bags included for training

This class can be provided in Caddo, LA and New Orleans, LA and any moving water site pre-approved by our Course Director.

You can TEXT "CIV BOAT" to 504-382-1097 for more information or

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Next classes:

TBD @ 9:00am-3pm for lake Cost: \$124.00 for first person, second person on your vessel \$50.00.

TBD @ 9:00am-3pm for swift water Cost: \$50.00 second person on your vessel \$25.00

Location: New Orleans, LA area. Lake Pontchartrain – TBA

The static water day is a requirement before swift water training. In day one you will perform many of the same skills we teach to rescue boat operators to determine feasibility of your skills and your boats capabilities to handle the swift water day.

Physical Requirements: Capable of personal boat operations.

Participant Prerequisites: Knowledge and experience operating the vessel you will be using

Participant Equipment Required: Personal protective equipment provided (life vest & helmet for training). Recommend two paddles. USCG required boat equipment for your size vessel. Full fuel tank. No inflatable vests allowed for class.

Bring lunch both days

Equipment Available for Participant Use: YES* Minimum Numbers: 6 paying students with boats

Maximum Numbers: Varies with training foot print.

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