#### Welcome

 How you can enhance boat inspections and safety checks for the recreational boater. Go beyond asking to see a life jacket, throwable flotation device, fire extinguisher, and visual distress signals. Make sure that everyone on board understands how to use these devices and offer ways to practice with each device.

# Beyond the Basics

Recreational Boat Inspection or Safety Check

# Introduction

# Scenario

# Disclaimer

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- The previous story is being used to enhance my presentation by helping to emphasize the importance of providing enhanced information to the recreational boater during a safety check or inspection.
- There is no information taken from a true story.
- No people, animals, or fish were harmed due the telling of this story.

# Encounters

#### Uniforms

- First impressions
- Sets the tone of the encounter



# First Contact

#### **Boater's Card**



### Life Jackets (33 CFR 175)

- Where are they
- How to choose
- Try yours on
- Discuss fit
- Been in the water with one?
- Accessories





#### Throwable Devices (Type IV)

- Types of throwable
- Have you used one?
- Do you have a line attached?
- Alternate throwable devices?



## Fire Extinguishers (46 CFR 25)

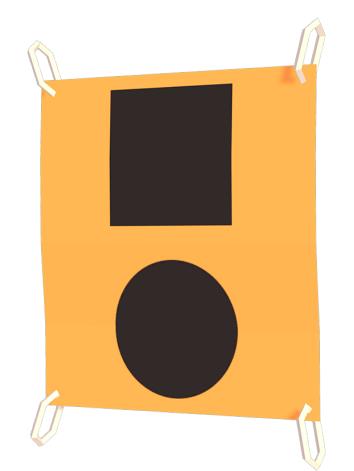
- Talk about them with persons onboard
- No one ever told me about it
- How long do they last
- How do they work
- Where do you stand
- Alternatives to using an extinguisher to put out a fire
- Jet Boat
- Burn pan



## Signaling Devices 33 CFR 175.101)

- Pyrotechnics
- Electronic
- Physical
- How to handle them







# Other Thoughts

## Inspections vs. Safety Checks

Inspection



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## Inspections vs. Safety Checks

Safety Check







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Visual Distress Signals (VDS)				IV. Anchor & Line for Area		-
5. Fire Extinguishers				V. First Aid and PIW Kits (** over)		_
6. Ventilation				VI. Inland Visual Distress Signals		-
7. Backfire Flame Control				VII. Capacity/Certificate of Compliance		_
8. Sound Producing Devices				VIII. Discussion Items, as applies:		_
Navigation Lights				a. Accident Reporting-Owner Responsibility		_
10. Pollution Placard				b. Offshore Operations		_
11. MARPOL Trash Placard				c. Carbon Monoxide-Dangers and Prevention		_
12. Marine Sanitation Devices				d. Nautical Charts/Navigation Aids		_
13. Navigation Rules				e. Fuel/Fuel management		_
14. State and/or Local Requirements				f. Float Plan/Weather & Sea Conditions		_
15. Overall Vessel Condition: as applies				g. Boating Check List		_
a. Deck Free of Hazards / Clean Bilge				h. Survival Tips & First Aid		_
b. Electrical Systems				i. Safe Boating Classes		_
c. Fuel Systems				i. Marine Domain Awareness		_
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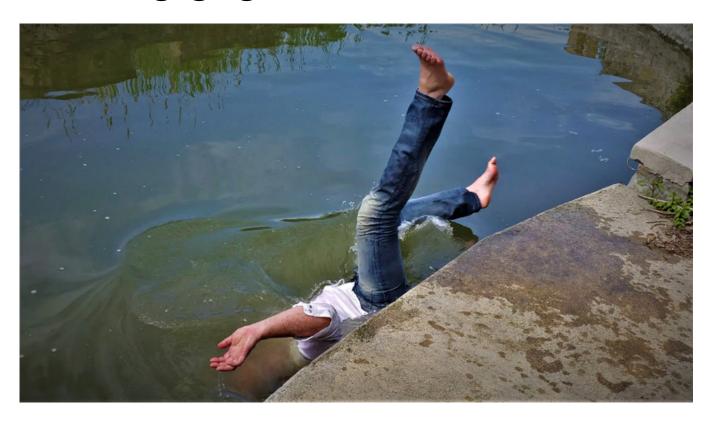
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and I understand and agree that my receipt of a Vessel Safety Check shall not constitute or be construed as a warranty or guarantee as to either the qualification, knowledge, or skills of the operator; the seaworthiness of the vessel; or the serviceability or adequacy of any equipment on board.

Owner/Operator Signature

## Safety, Mission, Fun

- You must remain safe while engaging
- Stay on task
- HAVE FUN!!!!!!

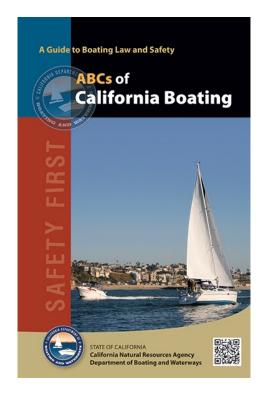


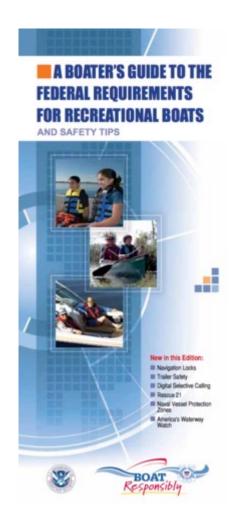
## Training, Education, Experience

• It's a total package

#### Handouts

Many pamphlets available





## Swag

- Give out the cool stuff
- Kids love it





# Questions and Answers

# Credits

#### Credits

- Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department
  - Herb Haas Reserve Deputy Sheriff
  - Sgt. Kamal Ahmad Special Enforcement Bureau
  - Sgt. Charles Weathers Parks Bureau
- U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary
  - Christopher Galante
  - Linnea Haas