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News Release

Coast Guard Safe Boating Class Announced for September 25 In Stockton; Instruction Offered as Caution Urged For Delaware River Watersports

Stockton, NJ – A comprehensive eight-hour ‘Boat America’ course is being presented Saturday, September 25 from 8 am to 5 pm at the Stockton Fire Department Community Room, 9 Mill Street, Stockton, by experienced instructors of U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 014-04-08 who are qualified to teach this required training for watercraft operators in New Jersey.

Topics include boat handling and regulations for inland waterways, nautical ‘rules of the road,’ basic ‘boater overboard’ procedures, life-jacket selection, required equipment, radio communications, and practical tips to help prevent accidents.

“We welcome those new to recreational watersports as well as seasoned boaters who may

benefit from a refresher course,” said USCG Auxiliary instructor Bennett Dry. “The safety measures covered will benefit not only motor and sailboat operators, but those enjoying paddlecraft and personal jet skis on the Delaware.”

The NJ boat safety certificate test may be taken at the class’ end by those attending, and exams will be graded on-site. The general public course fee is \$65, cash or check. Discounts are available to serving emergency responders and their immediate family members. The coursebook and a light lunch will be provided.

To register or for additional information contact Bennett J. Dry, 908-255-8614/jim_dry@verizon.net. Pre-registration is recommended.

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