

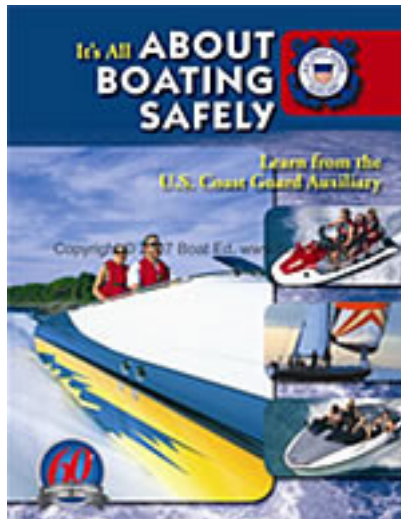
# **U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary**

## **Flotilla 38, Plantation, FL**

### **Boating Safety Education**

**I NEVER SAW  
THE OTHER  
BOAT**





*The About Boating Safely Course* (ABS) is a one-day, eight-hour, seven-chapter program for boaters, PWC operators, divers, hunters, anglers and other boaters who cannot find time for a full, comprehensive program. ABS was developed by the Coast Guard Auxiliary and the U. S. Power Squadrons, is approved by the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA) and is recognized by the U. S. COAST GUARD. It is also approved by most of the states, which require formal instruction to operate a boat.

Topics include:

- **KNOW YOUR BOAT** -- types of boats; different uses of boats; outboard, stern-drive, and inboard engines; jet drives.
- **BEFORE YOU GET UNDERWAY** -- Boat's Capacity, Float Plan, Pre-Departure Check, Trailing, Fueling, Maintenance & Accessories, Preventing Theft, Lines and Knots.
- **NAVIGATING** -- Navigation Rules, Navigation Lights, Night Navigation, Sound Signals, ATONS, Charts, Compass, GPS, Buoy System, Dams, Locks, Bridges.
- **OPERATING YOUR BOAT OR PWC** -- Operating, Prepare to Cast Off, Cast Off, Docking, Tying Up, Anchoring, Operating PWC, Ignition Safety Switches.
- **LEGAL REQUIREMENTS** -- Boat or PWC, HIN, PFD, Nav Lights, Penalties.
- **BOATING EMERGENCIES** -- Risk Management, Accidents, Personal Injuries, Weather Emergencies, Summoning Help, Helping Others.

Individuals who successfully complete the exam are awarded the Coast Guard certificate/card. We notify the State of FL, they issue you the FL Boaters ID card. This card is required for boaters born on or after January 1, 1988. Also, you should check with your insurance company to determine if they offer a discount. All inclusive in your registration.



## **USCG Auxiliary Flotilla 38 is offering About Boating Safely (ABS) Course at two locations in 2011:**

Westfield formerly know as Broward Mall

18 June  
27 August  
15 October

**About Boating Safely (One Day).** Registration starts at 8:00 AM at the **Plantation Community Outreach Center**, located at the North West entrance to the Westfield Broward, formerly the **Broward Mall**, at University Drive and Broward Blvd, **8000 W. Broward Boulevard**, Plantation FL 33324. Just below the Sears Garden Center. Look for our signs and we enter through a service door since the mall is not open when we start the course.

Bass Pro Shop

22 May  
17 July  
18 September

The Bass Pro Shop is located at 220 Gulf Stream Way, Dania, FL 33004. East of I-95 just South of Griffin Road.

Registration begins at 8:00AM. The course ends around 4:30 PM. All material including lunch will be furnished in the cost of this program, which is \$50.00 per person. Please pay by check or cash during registration. If you want to pay by credit card you will have to use pay pay on our web site. We do not accept credit card payments the day of the course.

You register by emailing [FLsafeboating@Comcast.net](mailto:FLsafeboating@Comcast.net) or call 954-296-2303. Just let us know how many are attending. If you register through the web site, you can now use PayPal to register and pay in advance. Just click on the class date and it will bring you to a page with a PayPal link. Please advise if you later have to cancel.



*Our programs are taught by experienced U.S.C.G. Auxiliary Instructors, and include Federal and Florida Requirements to meet NASBLA standards.*

