Have fun on the water & do it safely.

BOATING DO'S AND DO NOT'S

DO'S



Plan Ahead.

Fuel up and pack food, water, sunscreen and any socialdistancing supplies you'll need, such as gloves, disinfecting wipes, etc.

TIP: Use gloves when handling shared lines, carts and pumps.



Boat with Family.

Limit passengers to your immediate household — those you know have been isolated and not exposed to the virus.



Call Ahead.

Request your boat be launched and ready upon arrival to help marinas and boatyards meet social distancing guidelines.

TIP: Avoid long waits at the docks/ramps by being proactive.

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Avoid Restrooms.

Restrooms carry the most likely risk for spreading the virus, so have a plan to avoid public restrooms at all costs.



Launch Efficiently.

Clear the ramp efficiently. Have your crew board the boat while the vehicle is parked; then directly board the boat and launch.

TIP: Share a plan for and give everyone a job for efficient launch.



Clean. Drain. Dry.

While we're temporarily social distancing ourselves, we will always want to stop the spread of aquatic invasive species.

TIP: Prevent unnecessary contact with boaters outside of your family.

TIP: Carry hand sanitizer just in case of emergency.

TIP: Follow guidelines for clearing weeds and draining water tanks dry.

DO NOT'S

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Gather at the Marina.

Avoid entering the ship store, boat shop or marina office unless you've made a prior appointment or if there's an emergency.

TIP: Call ahead if there are boating supplies you'll need for your trip.

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Raft Up with Others.

Find a secluded spot away from the crowds is the best course of action, and you should not raft-up or beach your boat with others.

TIP: Anchor where your boat can swing without hitting other boats.



Boat Irresponsibly.

Boat sober. Keep sound levels down. No wakes within 200 ft. of shore or other boats. Wear life jackets and use proper boating etiquette.

TIP: Be extra aware to follow navigation rules and procedures.

Follow these guidelines to ensure the safe enjoyment of our outdoors and waterways. Thank you!



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