

Boating Safety Is Essential

The millions of Americans who enjoy boating should always follow these few simple rules for boating safety:

Carry an approved life preserver or cushion for each person aboard. This is required by law in most states and on federal waters. Children and non-swimmers should wear a life vest at all times. When using the cushion-type life preserver, wear it across the chest - not across the back.

Don't overload the boat. Know its capacity in pounds or persons - the number people it can seat is not a safe guide. Balance the boat load. Distribute evenly from side to side and from bow to stern.

Keep all passengers seated on the seats, not on the gunwales or deck. Never stand up in a small boat unless you are sure it is big and stable enough to support you. If necessary to change positions keep low and hold on to both gunwales.

Don't overpower the boat. Too big a motor may cause damage. Check Weather. Watch the weather. Get ashore before a storm breaks.

If caught in a storm, keep passengers low by having them sit in the bottom of the boat. Head into the waves at low speed.

If the boat capsizes, stay with it and wait for help. Don't try to swim ashore!

Keep your speed down in harbors or anchorages or when passing close to swimmers, fishermen or other boats.

Head into waves or the wake of another boat at

an angle. Don't ride parallel to them or take them over the stern.

Never leave the dock without basic safety equipment - paddle, anchor and line, fire extinguisher, horn or whistle, bailing device and the required running lights, if there is any chance you may be out after dark.

Know the marine "rules of the road" and follow them in passing or overtaking another boat.

Keep a sharp lookout at all times for obstructions or other boats. Watch your wake - it may swamp another craft or damage shore installation.

Remember that courtesy and common sense are the basic rules for safety afloat.

WASH AND WEAR

Easy-wash, little-or-no-iron fabrics are a real boon to travelers, especially those overseas. Be wise and see that whenever possible the clothes you take along have this feature. Other good travelers in fabric are wools, knits, silks, jerseys, and prints in most any fabric as these camouflage spots and wrinkles.

College campuses will be cape-happy this autumn. One tent-like cape of felaret red wool flannel buttons up to the neck and has its own matching slim skirt. Heading the new silhouette popularity parade right along side capes are ponchos - bright plaids and solid shades in cotton poplins, synthetics and wools.



SHIRT POCKET TRAVELER-The word for this miniature all transistor radio. Weighing a mere nine ounces, including the battery, the radio is enclosed in a non-breakable case that makes it a perfect go-everywhere traveling companion.

Olive and ivy tones of green will be afoot with the males come fall. The National Shoe Institute reported that every major shoe company is preparing new footwear in every shade of olive from pale grayed tones to almost black. They come in brushed and suedes, in waxed finishes.

Do not be misled by the fact that you can leave the United States without a smallpox vaccination. In order to get back in you must have had one within the past three years and be able to prove it. Be sure your doctor signs a certificate to this effect on the approved World Health Organization card. Keep the card with you.

Improvements are continually being made in the nautical charts published by the Coast and Geodetic Survey, U. S. Department of Commerce to meet the demands of the ever-growing fleet of small craft operating in the coastal waters of the United States.

Don't Carry Much Cash on Travels

The practical way to carry your funds, no matter where you are going to travel, is in travelers' checks. The \$10 or \$20 denominations are best. In many outside-of-the-U. S. spots, travelers' check payments are sure to mean a discount on your purchase. It's advisable to keep

about \$25 in cash with you at all times, and even better if it is in \$1 bills. Don't bother with exchanging your currency here; all foreign banks offer this service.

LIST VALUABLES

Before leaving the U.S. have any valuable jewelry, binoculars, furs or foreign cameras certified by Customs. Thus there will be no trouble about possible duty charges when you return.

HANGERS

The easy-to-carry-along plastic hangers will come in mighty handy for drying clothes, and in Europe for hanging up clothes, as many hotels furnish very few hangers.

If you're going abroad this summer and any part of your trip will be devoted to business (such as convention, fair, research as an author or teacher, etc.) it will pay you to check on the federal income tax laws.

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