

The Boating Safety Course Class Plan

This recommended eight-hour Class Plan assumes you are teaching the course in one full day, starting class between 8 a.m. and 9 a.m. with an hour lunch break midday. If instead you are teaching this in two sessions, follow the plan on this page for the first session and the plan on the next page for the second session. This plan also assumes you are using the Boat Ed classroom video.

| Start Time | Duration | Key Topics | Aids/Suggested Activities |
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| 0:00 | 15 min | Kick Off <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Class logistics ◆ Course introduction | |
| 0:15 | 25 min | Lesson One: Know Your Boat <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Vessel parts—terms and definitions ◆ Hull types and shapes ◆ Vessel classifications (including PWC as an inboard vessel) ◆ Types of engines and drives (outboards, inboards, stern drives, jet drives) ◆ PWCs ◆ Sailboats | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • classroom video---4 minutes • display the drawings of the boat and PWC, and ask students to name the parts |
| 0:40 | 35 min | Lesson Two: Before You Get Underway <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Vessel's capacity---load and horsepower ◆ Float plans ◆ Fueling a vessel/PWC and fuel selector switch ◆ Trailering ◆ Vessel and engine maintenance | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • classroom video---6 minutes • calculate a vessel's capacity • distribute a float plan for the students to use on future outings |
| 1:15 | 15 min | BREAK | |