

SAFETY TIPS

To Help Protect Against COVID-19 During Boating Events.

During organized boating events that might be possible as COVID-19 restrictions ease, it is most important that we recognize hazards, assess risks, and minimize risk of contact in order to help maintain the health and safety of all our members and those we are in contact with.

Controls to protect yourself and others:

- Maintain physical distancing by staying two meters away during event activities inside and outside.
- Follow restrictions like having only familial members sharing the same residence in the same boat on a run. Don't offer to take additional non familial passengers in your boat.
- Wear face masks when in proximity with others. You will probably find that most marine workers that we are in contact with will require staff to wear face masks and will ask boaters to also wear face masks.
- If going to a marine facility there will usually be hand sanitizer and sanitation wipes available for customers at the front door and limits of the number of customers who are allowed in the store at any one time will usually be posted. Sanitize hands after interactions.
- Communicate safety procedures to all those in your boat.
- Identify possible transmission points during an event and let all members know where those points are. This would include paying attention to members of the public who wander over to check out our beautiful boats.
- Wear disposable gloves when handling lines and during launch and take out.
- If you require assistance during launch and take out, make sure there are only one or two people helping and that you are wearing masks and gloves.
- When finished, use a sanitizer to wipe down contact surfaces including those in your car and boat - steering wheels, shift controls, door handles and switches etc.
- Required PPE equipment: Hand sanitizer, disposable gloves, and face masks.

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