

Pre-Summit Training Programs

National Safe Boating Council's Close Quarter Boat Handling Course April 13 – 14, 2008

The Close Quarter Boat Handling Course is a defensive boat handling and close quarter control instructor course that focuses on maneuvers and techniques for enforcement officers and agencies that need good skills in operating power boats while performing their duties. The Close Quarter Control course was designed as a training program that focuses on knowing what to do and when to do it. It is skills based using factors like the wind and current to assist you in putting your boat where you want it to be. Although practice is a critical part of being able to handle your craft proficiently, proper practice is what this program is all about. This program was designed for the professional/occupational boat operator such as marine enforcement officers and safety personnel that operate a boat in the performance of their duties. It is structured to meet the needs of these enforcement agencies whose safety enforcement officers place themselves and their craft in compromising positions when trying to control and communicate with errant boaters.

This is a two-day course. Upon successful completion of the course, candidates will receive a boat handling proficiency certificate from the NSBC.

The Close Quarter Boat Handling Course will be offered prior to the Summit on April 13 - 14, 2008, from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. each day, at Mission Bay in San Diego, California. The cost for the two-day course is \$350 if you pre-register by March 13, 2008. Late registration is \$400 if you register after March 13, 2008. The class size is limited to 5 students.

Please contact the National Safe Boating Council at 703-361-4294 for further details concerning the Close Quarter Boat Handling Course.

National Safe Boating Council's (NSBC) and National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA) Boating Safety Instructor Certification Course April 13 – 14, 2008

The purpose of this training is to educate instructors in the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators' (NASBLA) *Minimum Standards for Boating Education*, accepted best practices in developing a boating safety program and in effective boating education methods.

The NSBC/NASBLA Boating Safety Instructor Certification Course is designed to recognize the instructor candidate's prior training and instructor experience in addition to the completion of basic boating safety course work. The course focus is to clarify and identify the knowledge and skills needed to present an effective NASBLA approved boating safety education curricula to entry-level students. The course involves lecture, group discussion, and review of standards and best practices. Additional subject areas covered in the course will be procedures for receiving course approval, manual selection, writing lesson plans and developing tests.

This training is significant for those seeking national level instructor certifications that are not affiliated with another national certifying boating safety organization. It is of special benefit to state programs since the instructors are being trained in NASBLA's *Minimum Standards for Boating Education*.

This two-day course is an intense review of the national boating safety standards. Instructor candidates will be evaluated with a practical performance presentation review and written exam. Upon successful completion of the course the instructor will receive a certificate of training as a certified boating safety instructor from the National Safe Boating Council.

Prerequisite of Certification:

- To be accepted into this training program, the student must hold a current instructor level certification in a state or nationally recognized training program (or equivalent) and have a minimum of 40 hours teaching experience.
- Students must have successfully completed a NASBLA approved, classroom based, basic boating course and possess a high level of comprehension of the course content.

The Boating Safety Instructor Certification course will be offered prior to the Summit on April 13 & 14, 2008, from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. each day, at Mission Bay in San Diego, California. The cost for the two day course is \$195 if you pre-register by March 13, 2008. Late registration is \$250 if you register after March 13, 2008. The class size is limited to 12 students.

Please contact the National Safe Boating Council at 703-361-4294 or visit our web site: www.safeboatingcouncil.org/training for further details about the Boating Safety Instructor Certification Course.

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National Water Safety Congress Personal Watercraft Rescue Specialist International Course April 14 – 15, 2008

The National Water Safety Congress is sponsoring a PWC Basic and PWC Instructor Course before the Summit. The PWC Basic is a one-day course which is offered on April 14, 2008, from 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. This one day course educates the student in the basic functions and operations of a personal watercraft. Course includes instruction in the classroom and on the water buoy course. The fee for the Basic Course is \$100.

The PWC Instructor course is a two-day course offered on April 14 and 15, 2008, from 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. This two-day course includes the basic course and also rescue techniques. You will be training students on the second day. You will leave this course with the ability to train your co-workers and volunteer instructors. Course includes instruction in the classroom and on the water drills. The fee for the PWC Instructor course is \$200.

The deadline to register for either of these courses is March 15, 2008. Contact the National Water Safety Congress at 440-209-9805 or visit our web site: www.watersafetycongress.org for further details and to register.

A certificate will be provided for this course.

National Water Safety Congress “Surviving An Icy Plunge” Cold Water Safety Workshop April 16, 2008

This one day workshop – 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. – is a **must** for the professional or volunteer who work around or near water. If you are in law enforcement, fire/rescue, EMS, or a boating safety instructor you will gain the knowledge from this workshop so that you can develop the skills and ability to survive a **“Cold Water Immersion”**.

You will learn the anatomy of an accident, the dangers of inclement weather, understand basic boating safety skills and recognize potential water hazards. You will understand the four stages of cold water immersion and how that affects human physiology. Gain the knowledge to recognize the signs and symptoms of hypothermia along with basic field treatment. You will understand the principals of ice formation and the factors that influence ice formation. You will develop the ability to identify different types of ice, learn safe travel on the ice, and how to self rescue should you break through the ice. This one day workshop will give you the **“confidence you need”** to survive a cold water experience.

The fee for this workshop is \$50.00 per person. The deadline to register for the workshop is March 15, 2008. Contact the National Water Safety Congress at 440-209-9805 or visit our web site: www.watersafetycongress.org for further details and to register.

Upon completion of this workshop you will receive a certificate of completion from the National Water Safety Congress.

National Water Safety Congress presents Open Water Rescue for First Responders April 16, 2008

This one day workshop is offered on April 16, 2008, from 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

The Open Water Rescue for First Responders course is a course developed by the New Jersey State Police, Ocean City Beach Patrol, Ocean City Fire Department, and Brigantine Beach Patrol. The program is designed to train law enforcement, firefighters, EMS providers, and lifeguards in personal rescue skills as well as the rescue of victims in distress in open water and surf environment.

Focus on Awareness: ½ day classroom and ½ day in pool

Classroom Topics: Planning and managing open water rescues, water and weather conditions, rip currents, physiology of drowning.

Pool Topics: Skill development, self rescue, reaching and throwing assists.

Law Enforcement personnel will be expected to enter the water in uniform wearing simulated gunbelt (provided) and body armour (provided). Fire personnel will be expected to enter the water wearing full PPE (provided) including SCBA. EMS personnel will be expected to enter the water wearing their on duty uniforms. All others casual wear and swim suit for pool.

Pre-requisites for Awareness level training include good physical condition and the ability to swim 100m wearing a PFD (not timed) and treading water for 2 minutes.

The fee for this workshop is \$100 per person.

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