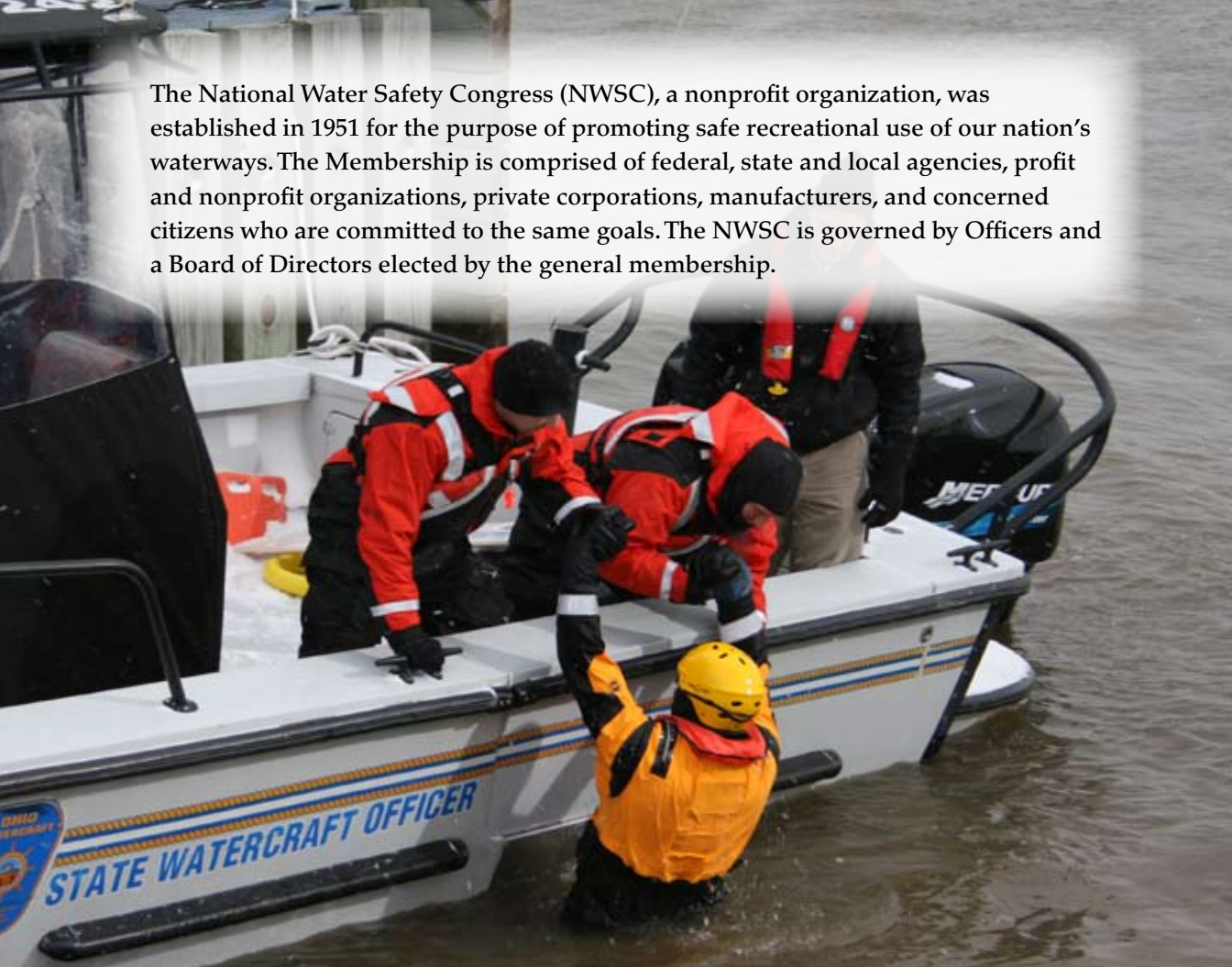
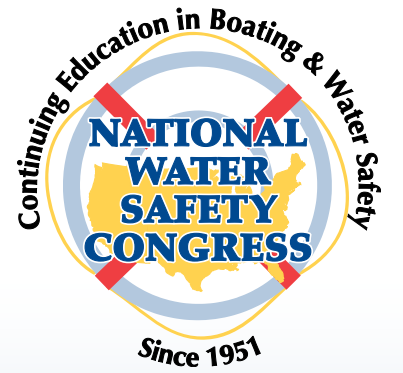


The National Water Safety Congress (NWSC), a nonprofit organization, was established in 1951 for the purpose of promoting safe recreational use of our nation's waterways. The Membership is comprised of federal, state and local agencies, profit and nonprofit organizations, private corporations, manufacturers, and concerned citizens who are committed to the same goals. The NWSC is governed by Officers and a Board of Directors elected by the general membership.



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The National Water Safety Congress (NWSC), working in conjunction with the United States Coast Guard will support the mission, goals, and objectives of the National Recreational Boating Safety Strategic Plan. We will thereby assist in providing and ensuring the public a safe, secure, and enjoyable recreational boating, and water safety educational experience, which will in turn minimize loss of life, injury, and property damage while protecting the environment and cooperating with national security efforts. The National Water Safety Congress has officially signed on to support the Strategic Plan and the NWSC does act as an implementing partner of the Strategic Plan.

In an effort to achieve this goal the Congress works throughout the nation

- developing, publishing and distributing water safety materials;
- creating hands-on youth and community programs with a consistent message;
- providing training and professional development seminars including hands-on training;
- encouraging individual states to establish and maintain effective water and boating safety programs;
- publicly acknowledging those who have made outstanding contributions in water safety educational efforts or in preventing accidents or loss of life in connection with the use of the nation's waters;
- promoting uniform legislation and encouraging reciprocity of boating laws among the individual states;
- helping to establish water safety councils.



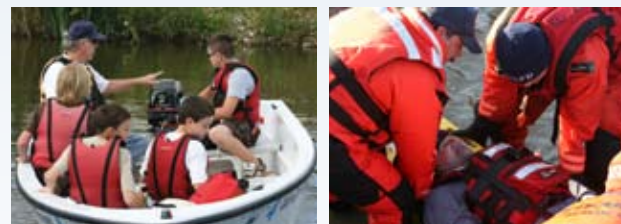
Benefits of NWSC Membership:

- Individuals, companies, agencies and organizations can expand their influence through affiliation with the National Water Safety Congress.
- Opportunity to participate in the International Boating and Water Safety Summit, the premier boating and water safety training program, at a discounted rate.
- Professional recognition through participation in a nationally recognized awards program.
- *The Water Safety Journal* – a publication of water and boating safety news and information published three times a year.
- Grass Roots Grants Program, which provides seed money for boating and water safety education efforts on local levels throughout the United States.
- Access to national and international education resources through our internet and *Journal* systems.
- Assistance and support for local groups in forming water safety councils, other local water and boating safety organizations and programs.
- Access to boating and water safety educational materials and courses through the Congress and partnering organizations including:
 - Cold Water Immersion Survival Rescue, Recover, Re-warm (8 hours)
 - Personal Watercraft Basic Operation, Maintenance and Rescue Course (16 hours)
 - Spirit of America – youth, family and community boating and water safety programs.

NWSC Purposes

- Reduce or eliminate the number of water-related recreational accidents, injuries and fatalities.
- Instill water safety awareness in recreational users of our nation's waters.
- Establish and improve partnerships between federal, state and local agencies, organizations and individuals on boating/water safety issues by developing a network of water safety professionals throughout the country.
- Produce and provide educational materials.

The National Water Safety Congress is dedicated to continuing education for all first responders, rescuers, paramedics, and all other medical professionals, through our current curriculum and by assisting in creating other additional continuing education programs.



Join the National Water Safety Congress and make a positive difference in boating and water safety!



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Under what name should the Membership be registered?

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Thank you!