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## MASSACHUSETTS BOATING BASICS COURSE

Southwick, MA – The Massachusetts Environmental Police (MEP) is sponsoring a Massachusetts Boating Basics Course. This course is NASBLA approved and offered to the public at no charge. The primary purpose of this course is to foster safe boat operation through increased awareness of required safety equipment, safe boating practices, and legal responsibilities.

Youth 12 through 15 years of age who successfully complete the course will be issued a Safety Certificate allowing them to operate a motorboat without adult supervision, as required by state law. This course will also satisfy the state requirements for personal watercraft users who are 16 or 17 years of age. All graduates will be issued a Safety Certificate. Taking the class as a family is encouraged and has proven to be highly rewarding. All students must be 12 years of age to participate.

Classes meet on May 1, 2, 3, and 4 from 5:30 – 8:30 p.m. at the Southwick Town Hall, 454 College Highway. Attendance at all class dates is mandatory.

Registration is required; to register please visit, www.mass.gov/ole, course ID: 4217