



## IDNR BOATER SAFETY COURSE SCHEDULED

Area residents will have the opportunity to learn basic principles of safe boating at a free Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) boater safety course scheduled at the location below:

Facility: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Information: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

A state law requires that all boaters born on or after January 1, 1998, must successfully complete the boater safety course before they can legally operate a motorboat with over 10 horse power.

Students 12 and over successfully completing the course and the final exam will receive an official wallet Certificate of Completion. Students 11 years old will receive their certificate upon their 12<sup>th</sup> birthday. Students under the age of 11 may not participate in the exam to receive certification.

This is an excellent opportunity for young boaters who need the course in order to operate a motor powered watercraft. It can be beneficial for both beginning and advanced boaters.

The Illinois Boater Safety Course consists of a minimum eight hours of instruction and covers the basics of boating safety, equipment and requirements, navigation, registration and titling, emergency measures and the Illinois boating laws.

Pre-registration is required for attendance at the class.

For additional information on this and other Safety Education courses visit our website at:

**<https://www.dnr.illinois.gov/safety/>**