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ABOUT

NASBLA

Since its inception in 1959, the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA) has functioned effectively as the voice of the states regarding boating law enforcement and safety. Today, NASBLA maintains national education and training standards, promotes uniform boating regulations through adoption of model acts and policies, develops methods to improve the nation's boating accident database, fosters partnerships among and between the states, the U.S. Coast Guard and others, provides members with critical knowledge and skills, assists in the homeland security challenges on our waterways and, strives for the general advancement of boating safety. Associate membership may be granted to corporations, association or others desiring to assist NASBLA in its objectives and in advancing boating safety.

COMMITTEES

NASBLA addresses, through its public policy work, a wide variety of issues related to recreational boating safety and security. Issues are discussed and advanced through the work of our six committees. Associate members are invited to serve on committees and offer expertise and technical support. NASBLA committees, and the issues they address, are as follows:

EDUCATION & OUTREACH

The Education and Outreach Committee will provide guidance, support, and expertise to advance boating safety and develop national education and outreach program recommendations.

ENFORCEMENT & TRAINING

The Enforcement and Training Committee works to advance boating safety by researching and disseminating information on new techniques and technologies for marine law enforcement officers; developing training and certification programs; and promoting reciprocity through the advancement of uniform boating laws nationwide.

ENGINEERING, REPORTING & ANALYSIS

The Engineering, Reporting & Analysis (ERAC) Committee identifies, evaluates, and analyzes recreational boating data and other related information that can shed light on factors associated with boating incidents; be used to inform the development of state- and national level safety policies, programs and campaigns; and, ultimately, be used to measure their effectiveness.

FINANCE & GRANTS

The Finance and Grants Committee focuses on best practices and resources for state Recreational Boating Safety (RBS) grants management and financial interactions with the U.S. Coast Guard Boating Safety Division.

PADDLESPO RTS

NASBLA's Paddlesports Committee provides a venue for a diverse group of stakeholders to engage with NASBLA members in productive dialogue to find actionable opportunities to partner and promote paddlesports while growing a culture of safety across the United States so that over time the incidence of accident and injuries declines even while participation increases.

VESSEL IDENTIFICATION, REGISTRATION & TITLING

Recognizing that accurate vessel information is the backbone of recreational boating safety data, the Vessel Identification, Reporting & Titling (VIRT) Committee will work to advance boating safety by analyzing and advocating for thorough and precise vessel identification throughout a vessel's chain of ownership from the hull numbering to registration to titling.



STRATEGIC GOALS

As a means of achieving its mission, NASBLA has the following strategic goals:

DIVERSIFIED FUNDING: Create a diversified funding portfolio to ensure the association's sustainability and broaden revenue streams for future initiatives.

ELIMINATE BARRIERS FOR BOATERS: Reduce barriers to safe and enjoyable boating to increase public participation.

EXPANDED TRAINING: Expand training and professional development opportunities to better serve a diversity of needs.

PROACTIVE LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM: Advocate and build support for state and national policy positions to advance innovative solutions for safety and security challenges.

STATE PROGRAM PERFORMANCE AND EFFICIENCY: Promote excellence in state boating program administration to increase efficiency and effectiveness.

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

NASBLA associates enjoy a number of benefits:

- Membership on NASBLA committees
- Complimentary copies of NASBLA publications
- Discounts on exhibit space at the annual conference
- Invitation to BLA-Associate gatherings
- Listing in the NASBLA Associate directory online

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National Association of State Boating Law Administrators

NASBLA is a professional community leading recreational boating safety through innovation and collaboration for excellence in policy development, national standards, and best practices.

NASBLA is a national nonprofit, 501(c)3 organization that works to develop public policy for recreational boating safety. NASBLA represents the recreational boating authorities of all 50 states and the U.S. territories.

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