



## **Law Enforcement Training and Certification Committee 2023- 2024 Committee Charges**

**Joe Campbell (TN) – Chair**  
**Carleton Richardson (ME) - V-Chair**

### **NASBLA Enforcement & Training Committee Charter**

*The Enforcement & Training Committee will work 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 addressing boating under the influence issues.*

*These tasks will be addressed through the work of two subcommittees: Training & Certification and Enforcement Techniques & Technology.*

### **Committee 2024 - 2029 Vision Statement:**

*To assist this committee in charting the necessary building blocks and progressive charges over the next five years, this committee has developed several strategic elements. These elements will become the guideposts in all charges developed over the five-year period. Each committee cycle will define the objectives/charges that will promote the strategic elements and help define the actionable goals for each committee work year.*

- 1. Promote the adoption of the BOAT Program in all states and territories.*
- 2. Maintain national training standards and third-party certification and acceptance consistent with and accepted by DHS. Promote those national standards in "all hazards" related legislation.*
- 3. Identify, study, and report to membership on emerging technology and applications for the maritime community of law enforcement and first responders.*
- 4. Assure that marine law enforcement has the tools, information, and messaging to reduce accidents, injuries, and fatalities within the recreational boating community.*
- 5. Assure that marine law enforcement is trained and ready to ensure the safety and security of America's waterways and maritime community.*

## ENF\_2024-1 "Operation Dry Water"

***"Evaluate and refresh all law enforcement guidance documents and templates being distributed by NASBLA's Operation Dry Water".***

Charge Leader: Michael Schipritt

Working Group: Raquel Salter, Rob Akin, Marian Pearson, Josh Hudson, Jeremy Davis, Marcus Bowling, Austin Franzoy

1. Review campaign resources and website updates.
2. Spotlight on another state agency or participating unit. Florida – Confirmed last year.
3. Check metrics on the awards – are they properly adjusted – New Model will be shaped around the AFWA model. Regional award submissions for individual or group accomplishment.
4. Timeline check with Hannah on when materials would be ready for review

**NEEDS STATEMENT:** Recreational boater deaths with alcohol use listed as the primary contributing factor have continued to decrease since the inception of Operation Dry Water in 2006. In order to keep that number trending downward, it is important for the law enforcement committee to continue to monitor and advise on the ODW campaign to ensure that the needs and wants of those implementing the campaign on the local, state, and federal level are being satisfied and the size and impact of the campaign continues to grow nationally.

**(NASBLA: 2.1,2.2,3.2) (USCG: Initiative 1)**

## ENF\_TC-2024-2 Micro-learning development

***Identify, produce, and publish micro learning modules in alignment with subject matter areas of interest as forward from the results of the National Training Survey.***

Charge Leader: Adam Block

Working Group: Ross Johnston, Darren Kuhn, Josh Mooi, Scott Mclain, Vincent Florio, Dave Considine

### Tasks:

- Need to add content ideas for micro-videos table attached below.
- Additional table for IBOTMF priorities.
- Post Garrison's "Tips for shooting Video" document on Basecamp.
- **Still need to identify contributors for video production.**
- **Distribute Video list and Tip document**

- ✓ **NEEDS STATEMENT:** As more law enforcement agencies employ and expand their mission and response requirements, it has been recognized as a critical need for the law enforcement committee to identify and compile the "best practices" elements for development into a national training curriculum for marine officers. It is imperative that officers have quick and easy access to short crisp modules of learning to pinpoint their training needs. The goal of this committee will be to keep pace with areas of subject matter micro learning topics, producing a full catalog of topics as refresher or new areas of learning for the maritime officer.

**(NASBLA: 2.6, 3.1) (USCG: Initiative 1). (Needs validation)**

**The following video library was last updated 6-13-23**

**IBO-MPF Train the Trainer Course – Videos/** yellow=priorities for new or replacement videos --- Blue = micro-videos produced during the 2023 committee cycle

Slide	Address	Name
35	<a href="https://vimeo.com/344090249">https://vimeo.com/344090249</a>	USCG 2019 - Life Jacket Labels v6-captioned
39	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g5eniRI0mXM">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g5eniRI0mXM</a>	Inflatable Life Jackets: Everything You Need to Know
48	No current video	Officer Communications
54	YouTube	Officer launching mishap (humorous)
63	NASBLA Vimeo	Safety Chains – PA FBC
71	<a href="https://youtu.be/vVVEI917UOU">https://youtu.be/vVVEI917UOU</a>	How To Back a Trailer
73	PA Video	How To Launch Your Boat at the Ramp Launch a Boat Solo
81	PA Video Boatmaster Boatmaster Boatmaster	Pre-Launch Checklist Proper light connections Trailer bunk inspection Tire inspection and Maint
84	YouTube	Bowline Knot

85	YouTube	Figure 8
86	PA VIDEO	How to Tie a Cleat Hitch
88	PA Video	How to Tie a Truckers Hitch
95	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eYvKHHvuh1U">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eYvKHHvuh1U.</a>	Basic Maintenance for the Boat Operator
98	NASBLA Vimeo	How to Change a Prop – PA FBC
126	PA video NASBLA Vimeo	Kill Switch Lanyard use. Corporal Anderson – DE Natural Resources Police
133	no current video	Weathervane effect
139	no current video	180-degree turn in close quarters

155	no current video	River hazards Overview/take additional training
170	YouTube	Helicopter towing a boat mishap
173	NASBLA Vimeo	How to set up a rear tow for towing another vessel - MA
175	YouTube	Hip Tow
189	<a href="https://youtu.be/_TuJoJxmeNI">https://youtu.be/_TuJoJxmeNI</a>	Foundation Findings #44 Jonboat – use of a rescue sling (or loop)
191	NASBLA Vimeo	Unplanned Person Overboard
194	PA Video Pa Video	How to Throw a Throw Bag Throw bag w/victim miss
195	no current video	PIW Recovery Options
197	NASBLA Vimeo	Capsized Vessels – Assisting a paddler - AZ

199	YouTube	Options for Righting a Large Capsized Boat
208	NASBLA Vimeo	What we do – Stopping a SUP violation - AZ
217	NASBLA Vimeo	Placing a life jacket on a person in handcuffs - WY
220	no current video	Night Operation Considerations
	29 videos identified/ 16 new or in need of replacement	

### ENF\_2024-3 “Cut-Off Switch Wear”

**Evaluate the current number of marine law enforcement agencies within member organizations who have adopted a mandatory engine cut-off switch wear policy. Based on individual state evaluations, identify existing barriers preventing adoption of a mandatory wear policy for ECOS. Define strategies to help non-compliant states remove barriers to policy acceptance.**

Charge Leader: Jared Bluem

Working Group: Scott McLain, Eric Deneault, Darren Kuhn, Carleton Richardson, Marcus Bowling

- ✓ **NEEDS STATEMENT:** Use of engine cut-off switches (ECOS) has been proven to aid in reducing and preventing both injuries and deaths within the boating community. Compliance in the use of ECOS devices remains low. It is the purpose of the law enforcement

committee to gather information on compliance rates, policy mandates, and other relevant data just to assist law enforcement agencies with the development of policies and procedures for ECOS wear by officers while underway.

The goal is to enhance officer safety as well as promote usage within the recreational boating community by example unless or until compliance is required by legislation.

**(NASBLA: 3.1, 5.3) (USCG; Initiative 1)**

**ENF\_2023-4 Emerging Technology**

**Research and provide information on new technology specifically being developed for maritime law enforcement utilization. Develop a catalog of equipment and information on utilization for member maritime agencies.**

Charge Leader: Luis Sosa

Working Group: Guy Wendorf, Tom Edwards, Lee Gatts, Jerad Bluem, William Perdue, Marian Pearson

**Needs Statement:** As collective leaders in the field of maritime law enforcement, it is important that the law enforcement committee work together to identify new and innovative ways to leverage technological development for the purpose of enhancing public safety, saving civilian and officer lives, and apprehending criminals. The law enforcement committee shall use this charge as a mechanism to gather thoughts, ideas, conduct research, and provide a comprehensive catalog on new technology and thus providing maritime law enforcement professionals a product that keeps them informed and ahead of the rapid pace technological changing world they patrol.

## ENF\_2024-5 "National Training Survey"

***"Design and conduct a national training survey to determine recommendations for the NASBLA BOAT Advisory Board, for new course development in service of the NASBLA membership and the maritime law enforcement community".***

Charge Leader : Guy Wendorf

Working Group: Josh Mooi, Roy Smith, Vincent Florio, Jeremy Davis, Dave Considine

### **Objectives:**

- Review 2022 Survey data – was distributed to all certificate holders, BLAs and Associates.
  - 434 responses in 2022 survey
  - 241 member agency participants
  - 16 fire departments
  - 145 police agencies
  - **Design new survey model based on past data analysis**

- ✓ **NEEDS STATEMENT:** A national survey to assess the training needs of NASBLA's membership and the maritime law enforcement and public safety community is a valued priority. To support elements of the Recreational Boating Safety Strategic Plan, NASBLA and the BOAT Program's Strategic Plans, a highly trained, qualified, and credentialed maritime law enforcement/public safety professional is an important and essential ingredient to our collective success. Training, and the competencies of the professionals that patrol America's waterways, are directly related to the safety, security, and recreational enjoyment of those waterways. Results will be forwarded to the BOAT Advisory Board, for action.

**(NASBLA: 1.2, 3.1, 3.2, 5.3) (USCG: Initiative 1)**



## **ENF\_2024-6 Incident Management**

**Develop a Policy and Procedure Manual for State agencies involved in multiple jurisdiction Incident Management/Incident Support Teams.**

Charge Leader: Rob Akin

Working Group: Carleton Richardson, Mike Bonham, Josh Mooi, Chris Clark, William Perdue

**Needs Statement:** Collaboration with USCG and USCG AUX requires alignment with processes and procedures to facilitate effective force multiplier between state and federal initiatives in Incident Management training, exercise, and response.

- Lack of effective management protocols
- Strengthen Incident Management coordination between jurisdictions
- Identify best practices from various states
- Share model strategies of a combination of training/exercises
- Model database of how states manage resources
- Inventory examples of successful incident management
- **Prepare for presentation to Ex-Board (Early December BOD meeting)**

**Tasks: (See Charge suggestion form – Attached)**

## **ENF\_2024-7 NAV Rule online training course**

**Conduct a full assessment, update, and revise the existing NAV Rule online training course.**

Charge Leader: Jason Dwyer

Working Group: Brian Moore, Roy Smith, Mike Schipritt, Tom Edwards, Joe Campbell, Josh Hudson, Dave Considine

**Needs Statement:** Was not approved until March 2024

The committee feels it is time to re-visit the current online training on Navigation Rules. The revitalization of the learning experience will update and improve the overall learning experience.

- Existing course delivered by Kalkomey
- Evaluate the course – strengths and weakness
- Value to Incident investigations
- Suggestions to BOD for revisions
- Prepare for BOD presentation early December

**Tasks: (See Charge suggestion form – Attached)**