



# Boating Under the Influence 4-Hour Seated Battery Refresher Training Course

## Course Overview

The National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA) has been conducting Boating Under the Influence (BUI) courses since 2004. Statistics from the U.S. Coast Guard show that the percentage of boating accidents, injuries and fatalities caused by alcohol -- those in which alcohol was reported as a contributing factor -- has remained constant over the past several years. Along with promoting greater awareness of the dangers of drinking and boating, NASBLA believes that the best way to reduce BUI is to strengthen law enforcement capabilities on the water. With that in mind, NASBLA has worked with its state and federal members/partners in the development of the BUI training courses.



Officers, who have been previously trained in the use of the “Seated Standardized Field Sobriety Tests” (SFSTs) through NASBLA, now have the opportunity to refresh that training and knowledge.

This refresher will help officers recall the fundamentals about the three detection phases and will sharpen their skills related to the administration and evaluation of subject performance of the Seated SFSTs.

NASBLA's Boating Under the Influence Seated Battery Refresher Training Course is a 4-hour course and will focus on the following areas:

Section	Subject Area
A	Introduction and Detection Phases
B	The Seated Battery of Standardized Field Sobriety Tests
C	Proficiency and Final exam/Program Conclusion

## Method of Delivery

NASBLA has developed an exportable training team that will deliver this course of study anywhere in the continental United States. Delivery of this course outside of the continental U.S. will require a modified tuition cost to cover the added cost of travel for NASBLA Instructors. Upon request for this training the classroom specification will be provided by NASBLA. Providing the classroom facility will be the responsibility of the host agency requesting training.



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## Criteria Performance Standard

Upon completion of this course the student will have a thorough understanding of the validated seated SFSTs. A compilation of performance measures will be used, including scenario review, class discussion, and objective testing.

## Target Audience

The class is designed for marine law enforcement officers and officials from federal, state, county, local and tribal agencies who have received previous NASBLA BUI instruction and now wish to refresh knowledge and application skills in the utilization of the validated “seated battery of SFSTs” in BUI detection and enforcement.



## Course Structure

The course consists of instructor lecture, aided by PowerPoint presentations, class interaction, and examination of wet lab video establishing evaluation criteria. The instructors will emphasize the importance of class interaction to ensure that all students understand the real-world implications of the body of knowledge.

## Class Size / Student to Instructor Ratio

Class size is variable, with a minimum class size of 10, maximum of 30. NASBLA will provide one instructor for class sizes up to 10 students. Additional instructors will be provided to maintain a 1/10 instructor ratio. For classes larger than 20 the host agency will be asked to provide logistical assistants to support student evaluations. *(Logistical assistants are officers who have been previously trained to teach the Standardized Field Sobriety Tests)*

## Course Requirements

Students are advised that dress is business casual, unless otherwise directed by their agency.

## Facility Requirements

In order to deliver this course, a classroom area will be provided by the host agency that will seat the anticipated number of students at tables set up classroom style. Additionally, the class requires a projector screen, a whiteboard or easel board with paper and appropriate markers and access to restrooms.



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## Materials Provided

Each student will take home a student manual/handbook. Within 30 days of course completion, students will be provided a certificate of NASBLA's National Headquarters in Lexington, KY and will be entered into a national database of trained BUI enforcement officers.

## Course Cost

The cost for the four hour, 10 person course is \$5,500. The cost for the four hour, 30 person course is \$8,000. Student tuition covers all instructor costs (travel, per diem, fees, etc.) administrative costs (certificates, database entry, etc.) and materials (student handbooks.) The minimum number of students for this course is 10.



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