Boating Emergency Equipment

Mandatory gear by watercraft type

IMPORTANT INFORMATION SAILBOATS: Sailboats under motorized power must follow requirements for motorized watercraft. PERSONAL WATERCRAFT (PWC): No nighttime operation allowed.		NON- MOTORIZED PADDLE CRAFT	NON- MOTORIZED SAILBOAT
	Sound signaling device (whistle)		
	Personal Flotation Device (PFD) One per person is required.		
	Navigation Lights	Flashlight Acceptable	
	Type IV PFD Throwable Flotation Aid	\bigcirc	Required if over 16'
	Nighttime Visual Distress Signal	\bigcirc	
	Daytime Visual Distress Signal	\bigcirc	Required if over 16'
	Fire Extinguisher (USCG Approved)	\bigcirc	Required if a motorized sailboat
	Engine Cut-Off Switch (if equipped)	\bigcirc	Required if a motorized sailboat
	Boat Anchor	\bigcirc	Required if a motorized sailboat

Your boat may require specialized equipment not included on this list. Make sure to check that your vessel has registration numbers, a backfire flame arrestor, or muffler if required.

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION All operators of motorized vessels, including PWC, must have their Boater WATER-PERSONAL WATER-Education Card with them. CRAFT WATER-CRAFT You must be 10 years old to CRAFT UNDER BETWEEN operate a watercraft or 14 16' (PWC) 16' - 26' years old to operate a PWC. Sound signaling device (whistle) Personal Flotation Device (PFD) One per person is required. No Navigation nighttime Lights operation allowed Type IV PFD Throwable Flotation Aid Nighttime No Visual nighttime Distress operation allowed Signal Daytime Not required Visual by state law Distress but highly Signal recommended Required Fire on waters Extinguisher under USCG (USCG jurisdiction, Approved) recommended everywhere Engine Cut-Off Switch (if equipped) Boat Anchor ant **NEW YORK**

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