

The Division of Boating and Waterways has released the 2017 Marine Law Enforcement Training Program calendar. The training calendar along with course descriptions is included in this memo.

Agencies requesting enrollment are required to fill out the appropriate online registration form. However, please do not consider your online registration request to be enrollment. If you have been successfully enrolled, you will be notified via email approximately (8) weeks prior to the start of training. Please carefully review the course descriptions and prerequisites to ensure appropriate registration. All division training courses are POST certified.

A \$100.00 late cancellation fee will be assessed if a cancellation is received fourteen calendar days or less prior to the first day of training. A \$200.00 fee will be assessed for no-shows. Additionally, if agencies with enrolled students fail to show, members of that agency may be unable to attend any division sponsored trainings for a period of one year thereafter.

Participants who successfully complete POST certified courses may request reimbursement through POST Plan IV, provided that their agency participates in the POST Reimbursement Program. For further information, please refer to the reinstatement memo from POST at: https://www.post.ca.gov/Data/Sites/1/post_docs/bulletin/2015-07.pdf. All POST Training Reimbursement Request (TRR) forms must be submitted to the course instructor at the start of the training session. If you are unsure whether or not your agency participates in the POST Reimbursement Program or if you have any further questions concerning POST, please contact your agency training officer.

For agencies that do not participate in the POST Reimbursement Program, costs may be covered through the Marine Law Enforcement MOU, based on available funding. Instructions for the MOU may be found at: http://dbw.ca.gov/?page_id=29377.

For any questions regarding the Marine Law Enforcement Training Program or the Marine Law Enforcement MOU, please contact me at brian.carroll@parks.ca.gov or (916) 327-1835.

Thank you,

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2017 Division of Boating & Waterways Marine Law Enforcement Training Calendar

Basic Maritime Officer's Course

January 23 – February 3 (MLETC)

March 6 – March 17 (MLETC)

April 3 – April 14 (MLETC)

May 15 – May 26 (MLETC)

June 12- June 23 (MLETC)

July 10 – July 21 (MLETC)

August 7 - 18 (MLETC)

October 16 – October 27 (MLETC)

Advanced Maritime Officer's Course

September 11- September 15 (MLETC)

September 25 – September 29 (MLETC)

December 4 – December 8 (MLETC)

Inland Boat Operator

January 23 – January 27 (San Bernardino)

February 27 – March 3 (Sacramento)

April 24 – April 28 (Redding)

Rescue Boat Operations

March 6 – March 10 (Los Angeles)

October 2 – October 6 (Los Angeles)

October 9 – October 13 (Los Angeles)

Marine Firefighter Operations

March 27 – March 31 (Los Angeles)

November 13- November 17 (Los Angeles)

Rescue Water Craft

March 20 – March 24 (Sacramento)

September 18 – September 22 (Morro Bay)

Boating Under the Influence

January 30 – February 1 (Folsom)

March 20 – March 22 (Newport Beach)

October 9 – October 11 (Sacramento)

Boating Accident Investigation

January 9 – January 13 (MLETC)

May 8 – May 12 (MLETC)

October 2- October 6 (MLETC)

"We are what we repeatedly do. Greatness then, is not an act, but a habit"

Aristotle









^{*} MLETC: Maritime Law Enforcement Training Center (Port of Los Angeles)

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

* Prerequisite for all courses: Participants must be currently assigned to a marine patrol unit (or expected to be assigned in the near future).

Basic Maritime Officer's Course:

A ten day, 80-hour POST certified course for newly assigned marine patrol officers having designated authority under Chapter 4.5 of the California Penal Code who are (or will be) actively enforcing California boating laws. This course was designed for the newly assigned officer/deputy and will cover boating terminology, boat handling skills, navigation, weather, boating law, trailering, launching, recovery, marlinespike, vessel stops, response to emergencies, and water survival. The POST course title is 'Maritime/Basic Officer's Course', presenter #1820, course #20263.

Advanced Maritime Officer's Course:

A five day, 40-hour POST certified (pending) course for experienced marine law enforcement officers having designated authority under Chapter 4.5 of the California Penal Code who are actively enforcing California boating laws. This course is designed to instruct the experienced marine law enforcement officer/deputy in advanced skills required to operate vessels in antiterrorism/port security operations and includes the study of maritime threats and smuggling indicators, charting intercepts with suspect vessels, interdiction and pursuit of suspect vessels, high risk vessel boarding and searches, and live fire unstable platform shooting. It instructs in the use of accepted terminology and tactics consistent with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security standards and the U.S. Coast Guard's policy and procedures.

* Prerequisites: Students must be current maritime law enforcement officers with at least one-year experience as a maritime law enforcement vessel operator and must be capable of maintaining control of a vessel while conducting high-speed maneuvers in close proximity to other vessels or obstructions. The student must be in good physical condition and must be capable of enduring long periods of strenuous underway boat operations. The following organizations/courses (or their equivalents) may qualify as prerequisites for the Advanced Maritime Officer's Course: (1) Maritime Law Enforcement Training Center (MLETC) Basic Maritime Officer's Course (BMOC), (2) Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW) Basic Boating Skills & Operations combined with DBW Piloting and Navigation or a USCG Merchant Mariner Certificate, (3) Federal Law Enforcement Training Center Maritime Law Enforcement Training Program, or (4) National Association of State Boating Law Administrators Boat Crew Member Course.

Inland Boat Operator:

A five day, 40-hour POST certified introductory course for boating enforcement officers. This course is designed to provide vessel operators with the skills necessary to safely operate a public safety vessel in inland rivers and lakes. Participants will gain practical knowledge regarding nomenclature, vessel inspections, navigation rules, aids to navigation, charts, boating law, patrol techniques, and handling boating under the influence (BUI) and boating accident investigation (BAI) scenarios. Participants will gain practical experience in trailering, launching, recovery, operating, and performing vessels stops. The course will also include a swim assessment where officers will learn and demonstrate skills necessary for water survival. The POST course title is 'Boating Safety & Ops for Inland Waters, presenter #9400, course #20201.

- * Prerequisite: Participants must complete the Division of Boating & Waterways 'A Course for Safe Boating' prior to participating in the Inland Boat Operator course.
- ** Participants should be prepared to bring their own patrol boat to this training. DBW will contact accordingly.

Rescue Boat Operations:

A five day, 40-hour POST certified course for marine patrol officers who handle emergency rescue boats under varying conditions. This course will cover emergency response operations, towing, offshore operations, and search & recovery. The POST course title is 'Boating: Rescue Boat Operation', presenter #9400, course #20250.

* Prerequisite: Students must have completed basic boat operator training (e.g. Basic Maritime Officer's course, Inland Boat Operations, Basic Boating Skills & Operations, or have (12) months of marine patrol experience).

Marine Firefighter Operations:

A five day, 40-hour POST certified course designed to give marine patrol officers first-hand knowledge of the hazards of marine firefighting. Marine patrol officers will receive the basic information from a lecture series and the experience of actual conditions from fighting live fires under controlled conditions. The POST course title is 'Boating: Marine Fires', presenter #9400, course #20190.

Rescue Water Craft:

A five day, 40-hour POST certified course designed to provide marine patrol officers with the skills and practical experience to safely operate rescue water craft in inland waters, rivers, and oceans. Participants will gain practical knowledge regarding nomenclature, pre and post operation inspections, personal protective equipment, accessories, trailering, and troubleshooting vessel operational concerns. The course will cover navigation rules, weight loads, centering, close quarter maneuvers, docking, reverse functions, towing, rescue, and safe underway procedures. Participant skills will be assessed daily throughout the on-water training modules in

regards to their physical ability, decision making processes, and underway operability. The POST course title is 'Personal Watercraft for LE', presenter #9400, course #20113.

- * Prerequisite: Participants must be assigned to a marine patrol unit having RWC, they must bring a copy of their NASBLA approved basic boater education certificate, and they must undergo a swim evaluation in full PPE. This is a physically demanding class; participants must be competent swimmers. Participants are required to provide their own thermal protection.
- ** Rescue Water Craft (RWC) is the professional term for Personal Water Craft (PWC, commonly known as jetski) rescue.

Boating Under the Influence:

A three day, 24-hour POST certified course designed to educate marine patrol officers on the current law regarding intoxicated vessel operation with emphasis on arrest procedures, chemical testing, report preparation, and courtroom preparation. The course includes training in the use of Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus (HGN), Field Sobriety Tests (FSTs), and introduces the use of Preliminary Alcohol Screening Devices with the intent of providing marine patrol officers additional enforcement techniques useful in detecting the high tolerance drinker. The POST course title is 'Boating Intoxication Enforcement', presenter #9400, course #20220.

* Prerequisite: Students must have completed basic boat operator training (e.g. Basic Maritime Officer's course, Inland Boat Operations, Basic Boating Skills & Operations, or have (12) months of marine patrol experience).

Boating Accident Investigation:

A five day, 40-hour POST certified course designed to educate marine patrol officers on technical accident reconstruction and accident scene management. Students will perform multiple investigations and reconstructions, become familiar with diagramming software and the navigation rules and operational laws as they apply to boating accidents. Students are required to complete an in-depth boating accident investigation report for the final exam. The POST course title is 'Boating Acc Inv/Reconstruct,' presenter #9400, course #20240.

* Prerequisite: Students must have completed basic boat operator training (e.g. Basic Maritime Officer's course, Inland Boat Operations, Basic Boating Skills & Operations, or have (12) months of marine patrol experience).