



Pettipaug Yacht Club

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2024 Pettipaug Safe Powerboating Course

The Pettipaug Safe Powerboating Course is a unique, two-day, CT DEEP-approved program that combines theoretical classroom training with on-the-water inst experience or boat ownership is not required. When you sign up for this course, our instructors will provide everything you need. The goal is for you to have a license to operate a powerboat by the end of the second day.

What is included in the fee of \$325?

- Course syllabi
- Navigation handouts
- Boat Connecticut textbooks
- Connecticut Boater's Guides
- Boating equipment for hands-on training

The Pettipaug Safe Powerboating Course will be held at Pettipaug Yacht Club (PYC) at Great Meadow Road in Essex CT. Each course takes place on a consecutive Saturday and Sunday from 8:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Classroom training will take place each morning. Weather permitting, on-the-water instruction will be conducted in the afternoon.

The minimum group size will be four (4) students; the maximum group size will be eight (8). There is no minimum age to participate in this course. Youth 10 years of age and older usually have the capability to understand the course material and pass the licensing exam. Please send an email to pastcommodore@pettipaug.org with age-specific questions, as age restrictions do apply to the certification process. Please see <https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP/Boating/Laws--Requirements--Permits> for more information.

Certification

At the end of each course, students are encouraged to take the Certificate of Personal Watercraft Operation. This permanent certificate is valid in all 50 U.S. States and allows an individual to operate any recreational vessel (including a personal watercraft) and includes a "towing" (waterskiing) endorsement. To receive the certificate immediately after the successful completion of the exam, the following will be required:

1. An additional non-included payment of \$50 to the State of Connecticut, which can be done online with a credit card immediately after the exam.
2. A Connecticut Conservation ID. For more information on how to obtain: <https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP/Boating/Certification/Applying-for-SBC-CPWO-Temporary-and-Duplicate-Certificates>. The instructor can assist in obtaining a Conservation ID number if needed.

What to bring with you for the course?

1. A PFD (life jacket)
2. Cap or hat
3. Sunglasses
4. Jacket or raincoat if needed
5. Lunch, snacks
6. Sunblock
7. Credit card for \$50 payment to obtain the certificate

2024 Dates

- April 20 and 21, 2024
- May 11 and 12, 2024
- June 15 and 16, 2024

The registration is an interactive Google Form that needs to be completed online via <https://forms.gle/cF7qHEc1ePLUGDNm6>. Payment of the fees can be done via PayPal only. At the end of the registration form you will be directed to the PayPal website. Registration is final when payment has been made and the PYC Registrar received a complete registration. If necessary, a waitlist will be maintained.

For any questions, please reach out to pastcommadore@pettipaug.org