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## INFORMATION LETTER

DATE: November 1, 2013  
TO: California Boating Law Enforcement Agencies  
FROM: Ken Newby, Training Coordinator  
SUBJECT: 2014 Boating Law Enforcement Training Calendar

California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW) has released its 2014 Boating Law Enforcement Training Calendar. The calendar along with course descriptions and registration forms are included in this memo. All division training courses are POST certified according to POST Plan IV. Attendance is limited to California Boating Safety and Enforcement Officers.

*Please note that the training calendar information will no longer be mailed out in hard copy to agencies statewide. However, it will be available on the division's [website](#).*

Law enforcement agencies requesting enrollment are required to fill out the appropriate registration form and either mail or fax it to DBW (instructions are provided in the registration forms.) **Registration forms are to be completed by training officers or supervisors.**

Please carefully review the course descriptions and prerequisites to ensure appropriate registration.

A \$50.00 late cancellation fee may be charged if received seven (7) calendar days or less before the first day of the class and a \$100.00 fee for no-shows will be charged for the following courses: *Basic Boating Safety & Enforcement, Boating Intoxication Enforcement, Boating Accident Investigation & Reconstruction, Advanced Boating Accident Investigation & Reconstruction, Piloting & Navigation for Law Enforcement.* Agencies with students who fail to show may be unable to attend any division sponsored trainings for a period of three (3) years.

Reimbursable agencies requesting reimbursement through the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) or Training Grant Programs will be required to submit a completed Training Expense Claim package. Per diem expenses are reimbursed according to POST Plan IV guidelines. Please refer to our [website](#) at for further detailed information on this process.

Officers who have successfully completed a series of training courses may apply for a California Boating Safety Officer Core Training Certificate. This certificate program consists of five training modules designed to provide a consistent minimum standard of boating, water rescue and enforcement skills.

The required training courses include:

- Basic Boating Safety & Enforcement
- Basic Boating Skills & Operations
- Rescue Boat Operations

The elective courses include:

- Boating Accident Investigation & Reconstruction
- Advanced Boating Accident Investigation & Reconstruction
- Boating Under the Influence
- Boating Marine Fires
- Piloting & Navigation for Law Enforcement

***Classes may no longer be challenged.***

Boating Safety and Enforcement Personnel who meet the following requirements are eligible to apply for a California Boating Safety Officer Core Training Certificate:

- Successful completion of the Boating Safety & Enforcement, Basic Boat Handling & Rescue Boat Operations training modules and two of the 5 elective modules
- Currently employed by a public safety agency as a boating safety and enforcement officer with at least one year of field experience

The application process for will remain the same.

For further information please contact [Ken Newby](#) at (916) 327-1835.

# 2014 LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING SCHEDULE



## BASIC BOATING SAFETY AND ENFORCEMENT

March 24 - 28                      Castaic  
 May 12 - 16                      Sacramento  
 June 2 - 6                         Castaic

## BASIC BOATING SKILLS & OPERATIONS

September 8 - 12                San Bernardino  
 September 15 - 19                Los Angeles

## BOATING INTOXICATION ENFORCEMENT

September 15 - 16                Sacramento  
 December 15 - 16                Castaic

## RESCUE BOAT OPERATIONS

October 20 - 24                  Los Angeles Co.  
 October 27 - 31                  Los Angeles Co.

## BOATING ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION / RECONSTRUCTION

### & ADVANCED CLASS\*\*

March 10 - 14                      Castaic  
 April 14 - 18                      Castaic  
 April 28 - 30\*\*                    Castaic (ADV)

## BOATING MARINE FIRES

November 3-7                      Orange County  
 November 17-21                    Orange County  
 December 1-5                      Los Angeles Co.

## PILOTING & NAVIGATION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT

October 6 - 10                      San Diego

## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

### **Basic Boating Safety & Enforcement**

**Prerequisite:** Must be assigned to a marine patrol unit and proof of successful completion of a DBW approved online boating safety course within the past year. Courses can be found on [DBW](#) or [BoatUS](#) websites.

A 40-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 is designed to familiarize officers with the law and its interpretation, rules of the road, carriage requirements, safety inspections, towing, theories and practices of risk management, marlinspike and seamanship, etc.

### **Basic Boating Skills & Operations**

**Prerequisite:** Must be assigned to a marine patrol unit and the successful completion of the Boating Safety and Enforcement course within the past 5 years.

A 40-hour POST certified introductory course for boating enforcement officers. This course is a hands-on course with a focus on boating skills in addition to the basic fundamentals of boat handling theory and characteristics, operational techniques, marlinspike, towing, etc.

### **Rescue Boat Operations**

**Prerequisite:** Must be assigned to marine patrol unit and the successful completion of the Boating Skills and Operations course within the past 5 years.

A 40-hour POST certified course for marine patrol officers who handle emergency rescue boats under varying conditions. These conditions include emergency response operations, towing, offshore operations, and search and recovery.

### **Boating Intoxication Enforcement**

**Prerequisite:** Must be assigned to a marine patrol unit, completion of the Basic Boating Safety and Enforcement Course, or a minimum of one year actively performing boating law enforcement duties.

This 16-hour POST certified course is designed to update marine patrol officers on the current law regarding intoxicated vessel operation, with emphasis on current arrest procedures, chemical testing, report preparation, and courtroom preparation. The course also includes training in the use of Alcohol Gaze Nystagmus 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. Marine patrol officers will acquire hands on experience during the wet lab section of the course.

### **Boating Accident Investigation & Reconstruction**

**Prerequisite:** Must be assigned to a marine patrol unit, completion of the Boating Safety and Enforcement Course.

This 40-hour POST certified course teaches marine patrol officers technical accident reconstruction and accident scene management. Students will perform multiple investigations/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.

### **Advanced Boating Accident Investigation & Reconstruction**

**Prerequisite:** Must be assigned to a marine patrol unit, completion of the Basic Accident Investigation and Reconstruction course, one year actively engaged in performing boating law enforcement duties including boat accident investigation, and writing vessel accident reports.

This 24-hour POST certified course will teach the marine patrol officer accident reconstruction principals involved in boat accident investigations, develop an understanding of boat dynamics during collision, understand the relationship of time, distance and reaction times and learn to use formulas to determine minimum speed.

### **Piloting & Navigation for Law Enforcement**

**Prerequisite:** Must be assigned to a marine patrol unit, completion of the Boat Handling course.

A 40-hour POST certified course designed to give the marine patrol officer the necessary background in the fundamentals of Piloting and Navigation. Areas of focus are: the general theory of charts, navigation instruments, aids to navigation, dead reckoning, radar and electronic navigation, culminating with classroom practical plotting problems and piloting exercises underway.

### **Boating Marine Fires**

**Prerequisite:** Must be assigned to a marine patrol unit.

A 40-hour POST certified combination classroom and practical course designed to give marine patrol officers firsthand knowledge of the hazards of marine fire fighting. 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.

**BASIC BOATING SAFETY & ENFORCEMENT**

Agency Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Training Coordinator: \_\_\_\_\_

**I certify that I am the Boating Enforcement Training Officer and that the student(s) listed below have met the course prerequisite(s) and will provide verification on the first training day.**

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Student(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Location of Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**BOATING INTOXICATION ENFORCEMENT**

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Name of Student(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
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Location of Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**BASIC ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION & RECONSTRUCTION**

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Location of Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**ADVANCED BOATING ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION & RECONSTRUCTION**

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Location of Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**PILOTING & NAVIGATION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT**

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Training Coordinator: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name of Student(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Location of Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**BASIC BOATING SKILLS & OPERATIONS**

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**RESCUE BOAT OPERATIONS**

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**BOATING MARINE FIRES**

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