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OFFICE OF **BOATING SAFETY**
BUREAU DE LA **SÉCURITÉ NAUTIQUE**

The Office of Boating Safety

Purpose: Transport Canada's Office of Boating Safety (Pacific Region) has the goal of promoting safe boating throughout British Columbia.

- Provides awareness of **regulatory requirements** for boating in Canada.
- **Collaborates** with industry stakeholders and partners.
- **Participates in safe boating campaigns** and community **outreach events**.
- **Communicates safe boating messages to the public.**
- **Monitors environmental impacts** caused by recreational boating.



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- **Answers questions from the public** about Pleasure Craft Licensing and the Pleasure Craft Operator Card
- **Assists local governments and first nations communities** with proposals for Vessel Operation Restrictions
- Conducts *Canada Shipping Act, 2001* training with enforcement partners
- Runs **training sessions for Pleasure Craft Courtesy Check** partners
- Distributes materials to **rental agencies** and conducts oversight checks.
- Provide funding opportunities through the **Boating Safety Contribution Program**





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The Office of Boating Safety has many partners, on and off the water!



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Working With Our Invasive Species Partners

- Boats are a major vector for aquatic invasive species
- Advisors for local partners
- Invasive species awareness in our outreach to the public
- Coordination and awareness development with our partners
- **2020 Plan:** Joint effort of co-locating OBS officers with Aquatic Invasive Species inspection stations

