## Prepare for the 2021 Boating Season... Think Safety...It's the Law! Virtual Class AMERICA'S Available

The **Oyster Bay Sail & Power Squadron** (a unit of USPS<sup>®</sup>) encourages all boaters to learn more about safe boating.

New York State's Brianna's Law, effective as January 1st, 2020, requires all motorized watercraft operators to complete an approved boating course. (see Phase-in schedule below)



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Whether a power boater or sailor; paddle around the bay or cruise the Sound, now is the best time to think about boat safety and the boater education available to you in our community.

The America's Boating Club® has boating courses for all boaters: experienced and novice.

The **Oyster Bay Sail & Power Squadron**, a non-profit educational organization, has been teaching safe boating for over **50 years**.

We are proud to present a full selection of **VIRTUAL** courses and seminars, including Advanced Grade Boating Courses, to help boaters master necessary skills that will keep them safe on the water and make boating more fun!





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Safe boating courses are also available with other non-profit organizations in our community. The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary also provides educational classes for boaters of all ages.

Contact them at www.cgaux.org/boatinged. Always look for courses that have been developed in conjunction with the NY Sate boating safety agency and are approved by the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA), and recognized by the U.S. Coast Guard.

## Phase-In Schedule - Brianna's Law

- If you were born on or after January 1st, 1993, you must complete a course by 01/01/2020,
  - If you were born on or after January 1st, 1983, you must complete a course by 01/01/2023,
- If you were born on or after January 1st, 1988, you must complete a course by 01/01/2022,
  - If you were born on or after January 1st, 1978, you must complete a course by 01/01/2024

All operators of motorized watercraft must complete a course by 01/01/2025...regardless of age.

## **\*\*New York State Requires\*\***

Personal Watercraft operators need to be 14 yrs. of age or older and must complete a Safe Boating Course AMERICAS



**Oyster Bay Sail and Power Squadron** 

516 622-1356 / www.boatoysterbay.org We have a class that is just right for you!