

WHAT YOU NEED

		Valid Registration Card on Board	Registration Number on Both Sides of Bow ¹	Wearable Coast Guard Approved Flotation Device for Each Person ⁵	One Coast Guard Approved Type IV Throwable Flotation Device on Board ²	Lights Required Between Sunset and Sunrise	Sounding Signaling Ability	Fire Extinguisher ³	Bell and Powered Whistle or Horn	Engine Exhaust Muffling Device	Ventilation Required ⁴	Backfire Flame Arrester
UNDER 16 FEET	OUTBOARD ENGINE											
	Fuel tanks portable and not enclosed	X	X	X		X	X			X		
	Fuel tanks portable but in closed compartments	X	X	X		X	X	X		X	X	
	Fuel tanks permanently installed and not vented to the outside ⁴	X	X	X		X	X	X		X	X	
	INBOARD ENGINE											
	Covered engine compartment	X	X	X		X	X	X		X	X	X
Uncovered engine compartment	X	X	X		X	X	X		X	X	X	
SAILBOAT WITHOUT AUXILIARY POWER		X	X	X		X	X					
16 FEET TO UNDER 26 FEET	OUTBOARD ENGINE											
	Fuel tanks portable and not enclosed	X	X	X	X	X	X			X		
	Fuel tanks portable but in closed compartments	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	
	Fuel tanks permanently installed and not vented to the outside ⁴	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	
	INBOARD ENGINE											
	Covered engine compartment	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X
Uncovered engine compartment	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		X	
SAILBOAT WITHOUT AUXILIARY POWER		X	X	X	X	X	X					
26 FEET TO UNDER 40 FEET	OUTBOARD ENGINE											
	Fuel tanks portable and not enclosed	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		
	Fuel tanks portable but in closed compartments	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	
	Fuel tanks permanently installed and not vented to the outside ⁴	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	
	INBOARD ENGINE											
	Covered engine compartment	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X
Uncovered engine compartment	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	
SAILBOAT WITHOUT AUXILIARY POWER		X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
40 FEET TO UNDER 65 FEET	OUTBOARD ENGINE											
	Fuel tanks portable and not enclosed	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
	Fuel tanks portable but in closed compartments	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	Fuel tanks permanently installed and not vented to the outside ⁴	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	INBOARD ENGINE											
	Covered engine compartment	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Uncovered engine compartment	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	
SAILBOAT WITHOUT AUXILIARY POWER		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			

- 1 - If the boat is not powered by a motor or sail, then registration is not required.
- 2 - Canoes and kayaks are not required to carry a throwable flotation device regardless of the length of the boat.
- 3 - All boats with closed living spaces must carry a fire extinguisher.
- 4 - Enclosed fuel tanks which are vented to the outside need no further ventilation.
- 5 - Persons using personal watercraft, children on open decks while underway must wear an approved flotation device.

* Check with your local and state agencies where you plan on boating, as this is a guide.