

Boat Club USA Membership Qualification and Training Procedures

Purpose of this document: This document outlines the procedures for customers to be qualified as Boat Club USA members and the training procedures required prior to boat operation.

Step 1: Membership Qualification

Members of Boat Club USA must be at least 25 years of age and have a valid automotive driver's license. Each new member is required to present a valid driver's license prior to boat operator on-water training.

Step 2: Boat Operator On-Water Training

Our on the water training covers all procedures from how to make a reservation, to securing boats to the dock, to fueling a boat, and everything in between. The on the water training is custom tailored to each members past experience with boating. Whether this is the first time on a boat for a member, or if a member is a seasoned boater, we train boat operators all they need to know in order to make them comfortable with boating, and keep them and their passengers safe.

Members will learn:

- The BoatCloud reservation system, including how to make a reservation, when they can be made, and how to cancel a reservation.
- The boat check-in and check-out procedure for morning and afternoon reservations.
- How to secure the boat to a dock and how to place fenders.
- Where to find and how to use boating safety equipment, including the fire extinguisher, life vests, etc.
- The different parts of the boat, such as nav lights, bilge, electronics panel, throttle, navigation equipment, etc.
- Use of security cell phone located on the boat.
- How and where to dispose of waste, and the consequences of doing so improperly.
- How to start the boat and how to troubleshoot if problems arise.
- How to launch the boat from the dock and where to stow equipment when underway.
- What to do if the boat breaks down.
- How to dock the boat on different types of docks and slips.

Step 3: Boat Operator On-Line Safety Certification

All Boat Club USA members must pass a brief safety certification with www.boat-ed.com before taking out any of the boats.