

# Help Keep Boating Safe In Maine

*Your actions are essential to keeping boating and marine services open, safe, and accessible for everyone to enjoy. Following a few simple suggestions to improve your safety and others' safety will help everyone enjoy boating at this time.*

## BEFORE YOU GO



- Only make boating plans with members of your immediate household.
- Check with your marina, boatyard, harbor master, or local officials for new rules or requirements; 14-day quarantine rules may apply if you arrive from outside of Maine.
- Pack masks, sanitizer, and gloves as needed.
- Get ready for a day of recharging in nature and social distancing on the water.

## DEPARTURE



- Maintain a 6 foot or greater distance at the ramp or dock; Adhere to other marina rules.
- Don't congregate around the marina and don't enter the office or store unless you have an appointment.
- Use gloves when handling shared lines or fuel pumps.
- Limit your area to only your crew and avoid the common courtesy of helping others with their lines.

## ON THE WATER



- No beaching your boat right next to someone else.
- No rafting up - keep your distance on the water
- Find a secluded spot away from others to relax.
- Always remember to boat safe and be courteous and cautious to those around you.
- Enjoy your boat, the water, and the fresh air!

## RETURNING



- Follow the same guidelines as when you launched your boat.
- Square away your boat and continue to head home.
- Please continue to be safe and protect those around you off the water.

*For additional information on safe practices and social distancing, please visit [maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc](https://maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc)*

*Please be sure to check with your marina or local officials for any additional rules and requirements.*