



Wayne County Sheriff's Office Marine Division



Sheriff Raphael Washington

BOATING SAFETY COURSE

2026

Starting in March 2026, Basic Boating Safety Courses will be offered by the Wayne County Sheriff's Marine Division in collaboration with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service and the Detroit International Wildlife Refuge. These courses are scheduled to take place at the John D. Dingell Jr. Visitor Center, located at **5437 West Jefferson Avenue, Trenton, MI 48183**, within the Detroit River International Wildlife Refuge.

All classes will begin at 5:00 p.m. each night and will conclude at 9:00 p.m.

Classes are limited to the first 25 people.

Each "course" consists of two (2) class nights as indicated below. To complete the course, students must attend both class nights. Students must pre-register for this course. To register, please click on the "Register Here" link below for the specific date you are interested in. You may also go to the Michigan DNR website, create an account and search for your boater safety course there. [Click Here: Boater Safety Education Courses](#) Any questions please call the Wayne County Sheriff's Marine Division at **734-675-2660**. Due to a limited class size if you cannot attend, please cancel your reservation as soon as possible so that those on the waitlist can attend. **Children under 15 must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.**

REGISTRATION IS UNDERWAY

2026 Course Dates

Link to Register for Class

Class #1	March 18 th & 25 th	Wednesday Evenings	5:00pm – 9:00pm	Register Here
Class #2	April 8 th & 15 th	Wednesday Evenings	5:00pm – 9:00pm	Register Here
Class #3	May 13 th & 20 th	Wednesday Evenings	5:00pm – 9:00pm	Register Here

Directions to The Wildlife Refuge Center

From most locations: I-75 to the West Road Exit (32A East towards Trenton). Take West Road approximately 3 miles to W. Jefferson. Go South on W. Jefferson approximately 2 miles. The Wildlife Refuge is on the East side of W. Jefferson.

Online Course

If your unable to attend in person click the link to take the class online: [Click Here Boat-Ed Michigan](#)

Note: There is a fee to take the online course.

Other Boating Safety Information

- ✿ Michigan Boating Laws & Regulations (Age and Operator Restrictions) [Click Here](#)
- ✿ Michigan DNR Boating Rules and Regulations Useful Information: [Click Here](#)
- ✿ Michigan Boating Handbook **FREE PDF Version** [Click Here](#)
- ✿ Wayne County Local Wake Laws [Click Here](#)

