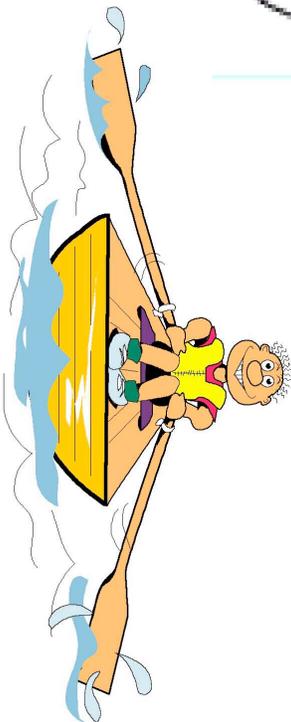


Children's Program



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- a. Questionnaire Helps the Flotilla prepare for the event
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5. **Resources & Material**

- 6. **Oregon's "Junior Boater Program"** - The "Junior Boat Kit" by the Oregon Marine Board speaks to is only available to Oregon flotillas. The ideas and curriculum are for anyone and everyone.

Boating Safety Education for Kids

The USCG Auxiliary Public Education program has traditionally had a component for educating children. Some may remember "Boats & Kids" and "Water and Kids", "Boating Fun" and "Waypoints". "Boating Fun" is still available in limited numbers to be taught as a classroom course.

However, recently, many of our opportunities for teaching children about boating safety are at Safety Fairs, Boating Safety booths, and Day Camps. In these kinds of events we have a limited number of objectives depending on venue, age, size of group, and the amount of time available.

Although there are the obvious benefits to the children that learn about life jackets, cold water, and balancing the boat, there are also benefits for the Auxiliary member and their flotilla. Retention of members can be enhanced by providing a variety of interesting and valuable activities working with kids, that require no special training or qualifications. Also, the CG Auxiliary name and missions become better known to the community at large.

The purpose of this program is to provide an outline, objectives, examples and lists of resources to enable flotillas to teach boating safety to kids.

Typical Safety Fair Activities:

1. Fitting of life jackets
2. Safety in small boats - loading, unloading, balancing
3. Cold water tank - hold your arm in 50° water
4. Throwing Type 4 for rescue
- *5. Handouts whistles, safety activity books, coloring books or sheets, etc.
- *6. Organizational tags and stickers
7. Other possibilities:
 - a. PFD Panda
 - b. Coastie

* These types of items may be available from the State Boating Programs of the District.