

# B.O.A.T.

(Boat Operator Accredited Training)

IF YOU OWN OR OPERATE A POWERBOAT OR PERSONAL WATER CRAFT (PWC), NEW CANADA-WIDE REGULATIONS REQUIRE YOU TO HAVE A PLEASURE CRAFT OPERATOR (PCO) CARD.

**As of September 15, 1999**

All operators born after April 1, 1983 must have a PCO card.

**As of September 15, 2002**

All operators of power driven, pleasure craft under 4 metres, including PWCs must have a PCO card.

**As of September 15, 2009**

All operators of power driven water craft must have a PCO card.

The Community Services Department is now offering the opportunity to obtain your PCO Card through the Lifesaving Society's Boat Operator Accredited Training (B.O.A.T.). B.O.A.T. provides everything that you and your family need to know to pass the Canadian Coast Guard accredited test.

## ***2 WAYS TO ACQUIRE YOUR PLEASURE CRAFT OPERATOR CARD***

### **1. Challenge the Test**

Purchase your B.O.A.T. Study Guide at the Community Services Department office, study it, then write the accredited exam at scheduled times.

<u>Study Guide and Exam:</u>	\$40.00 plus HST
<u>Additional Exam Attempts:</u>	\$25.00 plus HST
<u>Study Guide Only:</u>	\$15.00 plus HST

**Next Scheduled Exam Dates:**

September 20, 2010  
October 18, 2010  
December 15, 2010



### **2. Complete the B.O.A.T. Course**

Our certified facilitators will guide you through this eight hour program full of boating safety information that will teach you the legal responsibilities of being a boat operator and how best to operate and maintain a boat. You will then write the test. Please register now.

Cost: Course, Study Guide & Exam: \$80.00 plus HST

Maximum Class Size: 12

Call the Community Services Office at 229-1340 ext 2244 for more information.

**The B.O.A.T. Program is subject to minimum enrollment.**