



Notice to All Marine Event Planners

November 2015

In order to ensure the marine event permit request and authorization process proceeds smoothly, please review the following:

1. The U.S. Coast Guard now permits all marine events on any Federally Navigable Water (as defined by the US Coast Guard) including all tidally influenced waters, in Oregon. Contact the U.S. Coast Guard - Marine Event Sector at Ports & Waterways (503) 240-9319 for details. **U.S. Coast Guard marine event applications must be submitted no later than 135 days prior to the event.**
2. At least 30 days before holding a marine event such as a regatta, boat race, marine parade, tournament or exhibition on the waters of this state outside the U.S. Coast Guard jurisdiction, the person in charge of the event shall apply to the State Marine Board for authorization to hold the event.
3. The marine event sponsor is responsible for forwarding their marine event permit through the signature process. **A completed application contains the signatures of the federal, state and/or local agencies specified on the application unless the county sheriff checks section 18 "Not Necessary."** This designation indicates that the event does not "introduce extra or unusual hazards to water safety on waters of this state" (OAR 250-010-0095) as described in the application.
4. Once all the endorsement signatures have been acquired, mail or fax the marine event permit application to the Oregon State Marine Board (OSMB).
5. If U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Patrol coverage is desired, the marine event sponsor must complete a "Request for Coast Guard Auxiliary Safety Patrol Services" application. Complete the form and mail to:

U.S. Coast Guard – MSU Portland
ATTN: Auxiliary Office
6767 North Basin Avenue
Portland, OR 97217
6. Fishing tournaments require a Marine Board permit, and when 25 or more boats are expected to participate, also require a permit from Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife. Contact ODFW at (503) 947-6200 for details.

Marine Event Questions, contact:

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Oregon State Marine Board Participation

If you are interested in distributing Oregon State Marine Board publications or having a representative from the Oregon State Marine Board Boating Safety, Education, Environmental or Outreach program present at your event, please contact Ashley Massey at (503) 378-2623 or by e-mail to:

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