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Flotilla 5-11
Upper Manhattan

Division 5

District 1SR

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JOIN THE AUXILIARY

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Boating Safety Resources

Free Vessel Safety Check

The Coast Guard Auxiliary has certified vessel examiners who will perform a free Vessel Safety Check ("VSC") at your boat.

If your boat doesn't pass, you will not face any consequences. The vessel examiner will help show you what you need to do get your vessel in compliance. If your boat passes the VSC, you will get a decal to display on board. Our goal is to help make sure you, your family, and your friends stay safe when you're on the water.

If you'd like to schedule a VSC in the Manhattan area, please contact **Ted Wadsworth**, the flotilla staff officer for vessel examinations, at auxwads@gmail.com.

If you reside outside the New York City area, you can [submit a request on the national website here](#).



USCG Float Plan

Whether you are a power boater or kayaker, filing a float plan is a very important part of boating safely.

The USCG Float Plan is a convenient and easy tool that lets you save a basic plan ahead of time and save it on your computer. Update it when you decide where and when you're going to go. *Then e-mail your completed plan to someone you trust who will know to follow up if you don't return or check-in as planned.*

Why should you prepare a float plan? Because without a float plan you are counting on someone else (a friend, neighbor, or family member) to remember all the detailed information that rescue personnel need in order to find you. That information can make a difference in the outcome of a search-and-rescue operation.

Access this tool here: [FLOAT PLAN CENTRAL](#)

Boat Responsibly

The Coast Guard's [Boating Safety Division's official website](#) has many more resources, including a breakdown of federal regulations, navigation rules, marine safety alerts, and recalls.

Everyone in the boating community needs to do their part to keep us safe. Please take advantage of all these resources, always wear your life jacket, and boat responsibly!

Don't delay, visit uscgboating.org today.

