



Wisconsin DNR Boat Safety Certification



July 27, 28, 30, and 31, 2020
Marathon County Sheriff's Department
7255 Stewart Ave, Wausau

The Marathon County Sheriff's Department Boat Safety Instructors will be offering the Wisconsin DNR Boat Safety Course. Wisconsin law dictates anyone born after January 1, 1989 must have a Boat Safety Certificate to operate a boat. Children as young as 10 years old can take the course but may have difficulty. Children 12 years and older should be able to complete this training.

Classes will be from 6-9 p.m. on July 27, 28, and 30th. July 31, 2020, the class will be from 4:00 PM to 9:00 PM. and students need to attend all four nights. Registration can be completed by using Double Knot at Samoset.org.

The cost for this course is \$10 which needs to be paid the first night of the course.

For additional information or questions, contact Detective Dennis Blaser at 715-261-1431 or Deputy Michael Van Offeren at 715-261-1557.



Motor Boating Merit Badge
Wisconsin DNR Boat Safety Certification



Registration Deadline: July 20, 2020, **Limit 20, FEE \$10**, payable at first session, cash or check payable to the Marathon County Sheriff's Department (Boat Safety)

Dates: July 27, 28, 30, 2020, 6:00-9:00 p.m. July 31, 2020, 4:00 PM – 9:00 PM
Marathon County Sheriff's Department Training and Resource Center, 7255 Stewart Ave, Wausau and Lake Wausau (bring a snack)

NOTE: Scouts must attend **all** four sessions and the entire scheduled time. There are no make-up sessions. A parent must attend about the first 15 minutes of the first session and for the fourth session. This course is only open to Boy Scouts. Parents of Scouts who wish to complete the course may also participate. A Boat Safety Certificate is required for anyone born after January 1, 1989 to operate a boat in Wisconsin.

Eligibility: All Scouts are eligible. **Scouts must have passed BSA Swimmers Test prior to beginning of course.**

Bring to Each Session: Your Motor Boating Merit Badge Book may be purchased at the Scout Shop, 3511 Camp Phillips Road, Weston. The merit badge book is not required but is a good source of information. Only Scouts dressed in **PROPERLY** worn Scout uniform will be permitted to participate. DNR Boat Safety Booklet will be provided at the first session and must be brought to each session.

Prior to First Session: (1) Read the Motor Boating Merit Badge Book. (2) Contact the WI DNR to obtain Customer Identification Number by either calling 1-888-936-7463 between 7 a.m. and 10 p.m., or visit the DNR's Service Center during their regular business hours (this is a WI DNR requirement). This ID number must be brought to class.

To Register, Complete (1) Register On-Line at Samoset.org Doubleknot, (2) Merit Badge Application (blue card), (3) the Registration Form below after you register with the Council, give both forms to either your Advancement Chairman or Scoutmaster, who will forward them to **Detective Dennis Blaser, Marathon County Sheriff's Department, 500 Forest St, Wausau, WI 54403** prior to the above deadline.

NOTE: If for whatever reason you are unable to attend one or more sessions, you **MUST** call Detective Blaser (not your Scoutmaster) at 715-261-1431 before that session. If a Scout fails to do so, he will be ineligible to attend all Council Merit Badge Clinics for one year.

QUESTIONS: Call Detective Dennis Blaser at 715-261-1431 or Deputy Michael Van Offeren at 715-261-1557. Please complete the "Registration/Commitment" form below, cut along the dotted line and a Scoutmaster-signed "**Merit Badge Application**" and give them to your troop's Advancement Chairmen or Scoutmaster **before** the deadline date (above). Retain the top portion for your information.

Registration/Commitment Form for 2018 Motor Boating Merit Badge and WI DNR Boat Safety Certification Clinic
(Please print/letter all information)

Scout's Name _____ Troop _____
(First) (Middle Initial) (Last)

Mailing Address _____

City _____ Zip _____ Phone _____ - _____

On my honor as a Scout I hereby **promise** to: (1) If for whatever reason, I am unable to attend 1 or more sessions I will call **Detective Dennis Blaser (no one else)** at 715-261-1431 before that session; I understand that if I fail to do this, that I will be **ineligible to participate in district merit badge clinics for 1 year!** (2) **Act like a Scout** at all sessions, and (3) **wear my Scout uniform properly** (buttoned and tucked into pants) at all sessions.

(Signed) _____

2020 MOTOR BOATING Merit Badge and WI DNR BOAT SAFETY Clinic Troop Registration Form

Troop _____

To: Troop Advancement Chair or Scoutmaster From: Dennis Blaser, Merit Badge Counselor
IMPORTANT

1. Please photocopy the attached sheet and give a copy to **each interested Scout**. At your weekly meeting, please remind the Scouts prior to the scheduled sessions.

2. As this merit badge clinic is being taught in conjunction with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Boat Safety Course, a parent of the Scout must be present for the beginning of the first session. The Scouts will have to have their Wisconsin DNR Customer ID number with them at the first session. Coordination will need to be made to have parents with access to motor boats to attend. On the fourth session, a parent should also attend. On Friday, July 31, 2020, after the Boat Safety Portion of the course is completed, all the Scouts will be going to Lake Wausau to complete the "hands-on" portion of the merit badge requirements. Personnel Flotation Devices will be required to be worn. There is a \$10 fee for this clinic.

3. In an attempt to develop more responsibility and commitment on the part of the Scouts, this revised registration process will again be used. Please carefully follow the following steps:

(a) The Scout registers first on-line at Samoset.org (Doubleknot)

(b) The Scout completes the usual "**Merit Badge Application**" (blue card) and has it signed (approved) by either the Scoutmaster or one of his assistants. It is submitted to the Advancement Chair or the Scoutmaster.

(c) The **SCOUT** completes the bottom portion of the information sheet (the "**Registration-Commitment**" form) and submits it to the Advancement Chair or Scoutmaster. **ONLY** the Scout should do this, **NOT** a parent, member of the committee, nor adult leader!

(c) Whoever is coordinating the registration for the merit badge clinic in your troop (Advancement Chair, or Scoutmaster) completes the "**Troop Registration Form**" below (including the reverse side), and forwards that form along with the "**Merit Badge Applications**" (blue cards) **AND** the "**Scout Registration Forms**" to **Detective Dennis Blaser, Marathon County Sheriff's Department, 500 Forest St, Wausau, WI 54403** before the **deadline of July 20, 2020**. You may submit more than one time to avoid the limit; first come first served!

Registration may only be made using the process printed above: no phone registrations! If there are questions, contact either Detective Blaser at 715-261-1431 or Deputy Michael Van Offeren at 715-261-1557.

PRINT/LETTER Scout's First Name, Middle Initial, and Last Name Home Phone Number

1. _____ - _____

2. _____ - _____

3. _____ - _____

4. _____ - _____

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PRINT/LETTER Scout's First Name, Middle Initial, and Last Name Home Phone Number

5. _____ - _____

6. _____ - _____

Advancement Chair or Scoutmaster, please take or mail this form along with each of the Scouts **“Merit badge Applications” AND the “Registration/Commitment Forms”** to: Detective Dennis Blaser, Marathon County Sheriff's Department, 500 Forest St, Wausau, WI 54403 so as to arrive **before the deadline of July 20, 2020**. Late registration will not be accepted! I suggest that you have the envelope weighed, so that correct postage can be affixed, to assure prompt delivery.

Sent by: _____ - _____
(Lettered Name) (Position) (Day Phone) (Eve Phone)

