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## STATEMENT OF POLICY ON TEACHING BOATING SAFETY COURSES BETWEEN THE MISSOURI WATER PATROL AND THE UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRONS

This statement of policy is between the Missouri Water Patrol and the United States Power Squadrons (hereafter referred to as USPS). In furtherance of their mutual goals, the Missouri Water Patrol and the USPS agree to work together according to the guidelines for activities set forth below, to work in mutual cooperation in teaching boating safety courses, and to ultimately create a safer operating experience for Missouri boaters.

## I. The USPS agrees to:

- A. schedule and administer boating safety courses in Missouri through USPS local squadrons' administrative structure.
- B. continue to conduct and administer boating safety courses in accordance with the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA) guidelines and course requirements.
- C. utilize appropriate state pamphlets covering Missouri boating laws in conducting USPS NASBLA approved courses.
- D. provide to the Missouri Water Patrol information on the date, time, and location of public boating safety courses, along with the name and telephone number of a contact person.
- E. issue each student who successfully completes the USPS NASBLA approved course a Certificate of Completion.
- F. USPS instructors may complete and issue a state of Missouri student wallet card to students who successfully complete a USPS course, providing the course is USCG recognized and NASBLA approved.
- G. USPS instructors shall send the students wallet card number, name, address, date of birth, and gender to the Missouri Water Patrols' Boating Education Coordinator for record keeping.
- H. document that state specific information was taught and tested.
- I. appoint a USPS State liaison to be the point of contact to work directly with the Missouri Water Patrol in the execution of this program.

## II. The Missouri Water Patrol agrees to:

- A. recognize successful completion of the USPS NASBLA approved courses as meeting state boating education requirements.
- B. provide up to ten examination questions on state specific laws and regulations.
- C. maintain a student database.
- D. provide appropriate state pamphlets and other materials for each student attending the USPS NASBLA approved courses.
- E. provide patrolmen to serve as guest speakers to teach Missouri legal requirements when available and with sufficient notice.
- F. send USPS liaison periodic updates concerning changes in state boating laws.

## III. Duration of Agreement:

- A. This agreement remains in effect until canceled. The canceling party will provide a 30-day written notice to the other party.
- B. A representative of each party will review the agreement in the spring of 2001 and biannually thereafter for the purpose of making any necessary revisions.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said parties have herewith set their hands and seals.

Colonel Larry Whitten

Commissioner

Date

Sergeant Paul Kennedy

Director of Public Information

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Chief Commander, USPS

Date