

# $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRONS}^{@} \\ \textbf{Sail and Power Boating} \ ( \ \underline{www.usps.org} \ \ \text{or} \ \ 1\text{-}888\text{-}367\text{-}8777} \ ) \end{array}$

1-a. Application  ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP  (See reverse for explanation of membership types)					
Name (First/MI/Last	t)				_
Mailing Address:					
City, State, Zip:					_
Telephone	Home ()		Work ()		
E-mail				Fax (	)
Sex (M or F)	Birth DateSpouse's Name				_
		<b>DITIONAL ACTIVE M</b> <i>s in same household at</i>		nip rate)	
Name (First/MI/Last	t)				
Telephone	Home () Work ()				_
Sex (M or F)	Birth Date E-mail				
	(Add other adults/chi	FAMILY MEMBE ildren in same househol		bership rate	)
1:	Birth Date (MM/DD/YY)				Sex (M/F)
2:	Birth Date (MM/DD/YY)				Sex (M/F)
3: Birth Date (MM/DD/YY)					Sex (M/F)
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1-b. Application (check one) $\square$ APPRENTICE / $\square$ SEA SCOUT					
Name (First/Last):					
Mailing Address:					
City, State, Zip:					
Home Telephone	()	Sex (M or F)	Birth Date		
E-mail				_ Fax (	)
2. Personal Skills (check all that apply)  □ Accounting/Finance □ Government/Military □ Advertising/Marketing Skills □ Hotel/Transportation Industry □ Art/Drawing/Drafting □ Law □ Computers/Audio Visual □ Management/Personnel/Purchasing □ Education/Instruction/Administration □ Medicine/Nursing			<ul> <li>□ Photography</li> <li>□ Printing/Publishing</li> <li>□ Public Speaking/Public Relations</li> <li>□ Religion</li> <li>□ Writing/Editing/Grant Writing</li> </ul>		
<b>3. Boating:</b> Being a boat owner is not a USPS membership requirement; however, if you do own a boat we would be interested in knowing if it's a [ Power ] or [ Sail ] Boat (circle one), the name of your boat:, and the overall length of your boat:					
4. Which USPS	member most influence	ced you to join our	organization?		Cert#
5. Signature Date					
SQUADRON END	ORSEMENT (This section t	to be completed by the l	local USPS unit to w	which this a	pplication is being submitted)
Squadron/Provisional Name				_Acct #	District
Applicant(s) Endorsed By					Date
Ex Com Approval (signature)					Date
Educational Certificate Type (check one):   Certificate/Local USPS Boating Course  Certificate/Approved Equivalent Boating Course					



# UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRONS®

**Sail and Power Boating** 

# <u>What is USPS?</u> (For additional information, visit our web page at <u>www.usps.org</u> or call toll free: 888.367.8777)

Organized in 1914, USPS is a non profit, educational organization dedicated to making boating safer and more enjoyable by teaching classes in seamanship, navigation and related subjects. Our members are boating families who contribute to their communities by promoting safe boating through education. We enjoy participating with our fellow members on the water and in the classroom. USPS has some 60,000 members organized into 450 squadrons across the country and in some US territories. USPS is America's largest non-profit boating organization and has been honored by three US presidents for its civic contributions.

# USPS Membership Benefits:

- ▶ Save Money, up to 23% on your Boat Insurance (20% based on courses completed and another 3% for a Vessel Safety Check)
- ► Enjoy Special Organizational Discounts on valuable services including Sea Tow Membership, Vessel Assist Membership, Boat/US Membership, and more.
- ▶ Members Helping Members through a Port Captains Program that includes cruising/travel tips based on local information
- ▶ Opportunities to have FUN that include land based as well as on-the-water recreational and civic service activities
- ▶ Organized Cruises & Rendezvous with special friends that are suitable for the entire family
- ▶ Social events, potluck dinners, picnics, parties and interesting meetings with special guest speakers on topics of interest to boaters

#### **Educational Requirements**

Prospective Members must demonstrate that they have passed a USPS or NASBLA "approved" boating course. This certification can be provided in one of the following ways:

- 1) Certificate of completion from a local USPS Boating Course
- Certificate of completion from Approved Equivalent Boating Course such as the USPS Boat Smart, ABC, USCG Aux Course, USCG Captain License, etc.

# Membership Qualifications:

To qualify for active membership in the United States Power Squadrons, you must:

- Be able and Willing to Contribute Time, Energy and Skills to the Objectives of USPS
- Pass An Exam Approved By The Operating Committee
- Be Accepted By The Squadron Executive Committee
- Be At Least 18 Years of Age
- Have Paid All Applicable Entrance Fees and Dues

# Membership Types:

## ACTIVE MEMBER

- Must pass an approved exam
- Takes courses
- Attends meetings
- Votes
- Holds elected or appointed office
- Earns merit marks
- Receives THE ENSIGN

#### ADDITIONAL ACTIVE

- Must pass an approved exam
- Takes courses
- Attends meetings
- Votes
- Holds elected or appointed office
- Earns merit marks

## FAMILY OR APPRENTICE/SEA SCOUT ‡

- Takes courses (Upon Passing Approved Exam)
- Attends meetings
- Earns merit marks
- Family members under the age of 18 are classified as junior family members for dues purposes only
- # Must pass an approved exam (Apprentice)
- Receives THE ENSIGN (Apprentice)

#### USPS Policy On Human Rights:

USPS, its districts, squadrons and members shall at all times observe all federal, state and local Human Rights Laws, regulations and ordinances applicable to any USPS activity, procedure or practice. At no level; National, District or Squadron, may any person be refused membership, denied office or be prevented from participating in any activity because of any fact or circumstance which would identify that person as one of a protected class of individuals under the Human Rights Laws, regulations or ordinances of any governmental jurisdiction where the person resides, or where USPS conducts business.

## **National Headquarters Mailing Address**

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