

## **USPS Boat Operator Certification is Coming!**

### **What is it?**

- Certification at various levels of boating proficiency
- Meet or exceed requirements of UN Resolution 40, "International Certificate for the Operation of Pleasure Craft"

### **Why should you want it?**

- Helps in chartering, renting or leasing a boat, especially outside the USA
- Likely to yield more easily obtained and discounted cost of insurance
- Recognition of skills for speaking in public, acting as an advisor, or being sought-out by the media for expert opinion
- Supports seeding in competition by skill level

### **What are the levels of proficiency?**

- Inland Navigator
- Coastal Navigator
- Advanced Coastal Navigator
- Offshore Navigator

### **Additional Endorsements available for demonstrated skills in:**

- Boating in Canadian waters
- Boating in European waters
- Inland Waterways (locks, canals, rivers)
- Boating in Mexican waters
- Sail
- Other endorsements being considered

### **How can you obtain the certifications?**

- Pass appropriate courses
- Take appropriate seminars
- Skill certifications from official Certifiers based on demonstrations

### **When can you start?**

- You can take pertinent standard USPS member classes now (S, P, AP, JN, N, Sail, etc.)
- Certification process is underway

### **How can you become a Certifier?**

- Contact Rick Fisher at 281-734-4443