

Boating classes are held twice a year starting in September and January. The [Boating 1: Boating Basics](#) class is 3 weeks and will result in the issuance of a Pleasure Craft Operator Card (PCOC). The [Boating 2: Basic Navigation & Boating Handling - Part 1](#) carries on where the Basics left off -- this class runs for an additional 6 weeks. The third in our introductory series, is [Boating 3: Basic Navigation & Boating Handling - Part 2](#) and also runs for 6 weeks. Classes are held at Royal Oak Middle School and **virtually via ZOOM**.

**We also offer many self-study classes -- available anytime -- all material online.**

In addition, Victoria Power and Sail Squadron offers several advanced courses (requiring pre-requisites) and occasionally elective courses each year. Check the following table for detailed information.

**Note:** registration for courses can be done online or by contacting the course chair(s).

| <a href="#">Course</a>                             | <a href="#">Starting</a> | <a href="#">Duration</a> | <a href="#">Day of Week</a> | <a href="#">Location</a> | <a href="#">Price</a> | <a href="#">Register</a> |                  |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| <a href="#">Boat 1: Boating Basics (PCOC)</a>      |                          | anytime                  |                             | 3 hours                  |                       |                          | self study       |
| <a href="#">online</a>                             |                          |                          |                             |                          |                       |                          |                  |
| <a href="#">Boat 2: Basic Navigation - Part 1</a>  |                          | anytime                  |                             |                          |                       |                          |                  |
| self study                                         |                          | online                   |                             | \$180                    |                       | <a href="#">online</a>   |                  |
| <a href="#">Basic Navigation + Boat Handling</a>   | Oct 14                   |                          |                             | 12 weeks                 |                       |                          | online via zoom  |
| <a href="#">Maritime Radio (ROC(M))</a>            |                          | anytime                  |                             |                          |                       |                          |                  |
| self study (includes material)                     |                          | online                   |                             | \$145                    |                       | <a href="#">online</a>   |                  |
| <a href="#">Maritime Radio (ROC(M))</a>            |                          | anytime                  |                             |                          |                       |                          |                  |
| challenge exam                                     |                          | exam only                |                             | \$85                     |                       | <a href="#">online</a>   |                  |
| <a href="#">Celestial Navigation in a Nutshell</a> |                          | anytime                  |                             | 2 hours                  |                       |                          | self study - ser |

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**Course Calendar**

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|----------------------------------------------|---------|---------|----------------------|--------|
| <a href="#">How to use a GPS</a>             | anytime | 3 hours | self study - seminar | online |
| <a href="#">online</a>                       |         |         |                      |        |
| <a href="#">Tides and Currents</a>           | anytime | 2 hours | self study - seminar | online |
| <a href="#">online</a>                       |         |         |                      |        |
| <a href="#">Tropical Weather for Boaters</a> | anytime | 2 hours | self study - seminar |        |
| <a href="#">online</a>                       |         |         |                      |        |