FLORIDA FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION DIVISION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT

Florida Boating Accident Self Report

Operator/Owner Report Form (Short form to be filled out by all vessel operators involved)



How do I report a Boating Accident

You must immediately (as soon as it is possible) contact the Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) by dialing:

1.888.404.3922 or # FWC Cellular or * FWC

the sheriff of the county in which the accident occurred; or the police chief of the municipality where the accident occurred.

You must also complete this form and mail it to the (unless a law enforcement officer completes a written Accident Investigation Report):

Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission Boating & Waterways Section 620 South Meridian Street Tallahassee, FL 32399-1600

State and federal law require that the vessel operator must report any accident that involves any of the following:

- 1. A person's death;
- 2. An injury requiring medical treatment beyond first aid;
- 3. The disappearance of a person from the boat under circumstances that indicate death or injury; or
- 4. Total property damage to all boats, docks, etc. involved in the accident exceeding \$2,000.00

Written Report Require by § 327.301, F.S. and 33 C.F.R.s. 173.55,:

The report must be submitted				
If a person dies	Within 24 hours			
If an injury requiring medical treatment beyond first aid	Within 48 hours			
The disappearance of a person from the boat under circumstances that indicate death or injury	Within 48 hours			
Property damage only	Within 10 days			

Operator Information Exchange					
Last Name	First Name				
Address:					
City	State	Zip Code			
Vessel Information					
Vessel Reg. or Doc. Number	1	Name of Vessel		_	
HIN Number	Make		Length		
Insurance Information					
Insurance Company		Policy Number		_	

Helpful hints for completing the Boating Accident Self-Report:

- 1. Fill in each section that applies, (i.e. the accident site section one of the descriptors applies to every accident). The restricted area section should only be completed if the accident occurred in a restricted area, (i.e. no wake zone, slow speed, etc.).
- 2. State waters are within three (3) nautical miles shore in the Atlantic and nine (9) nautical miles from shore in the Gulf of Mexico.
- **3.** Total estimated damage is the total of each vessel plus any non-vessel property damage.
- **4.** There are several sections that allow you to check more than one cause, type, etc. When more than one applies, rank them with a 1, 2, or 3, in the order which they occurred. Do no check the box when using multiple entries.
- 5. This is an example of a brief description of a boating accident. V–1 was traveling north in the marked channel of the St. Johns River. V–2 was traveling northwest and overtaking V–1. The bow of V–2 struck the starboard side of V–1 causing damage to rub rail and damage to the fiberglass between mid-ship and the stern.



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	FWC Boating & Wa	terways Section	Agen	cy Case Number:			
For		Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1600	Which Agency Conta	cted: FWC Sheriff's Of	ffice Police Dept		
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S	City		Zip Code	Work Phone			
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