

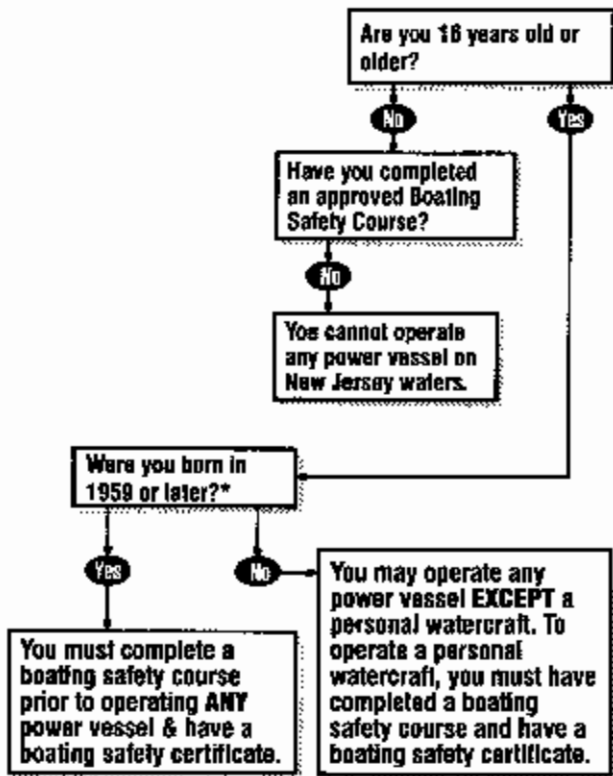


# Boating Safety Information

*Related Statute: NJSA 12:7-61*

## Q. What are the Educational/Certificate Requirements?

A. See chart below:



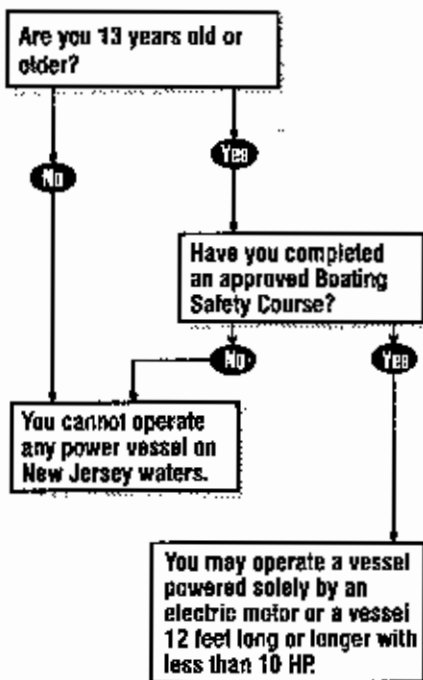
### \*Schedule for Completion of Mandatory Boating Safety Course:

- Persons born in 1949 or later must possess a Boating Safety Certificate by **June 1, 2008**.
- All persons who wish to operate a power vessel must possess a Boating Safety Certificate by **June 1, 2009**.

*Boating safety course contact information may be located at:  
[www.cgaux.org](http://www.cgaux.org), [www.usps.org](http://www.usps.org), or [www.BOATUS.com](http://www.BOATUS.com).  
Boating safety courses must be completed in person.*

## Q. What are the Educational/Certificate Requirements if I'm under 16?

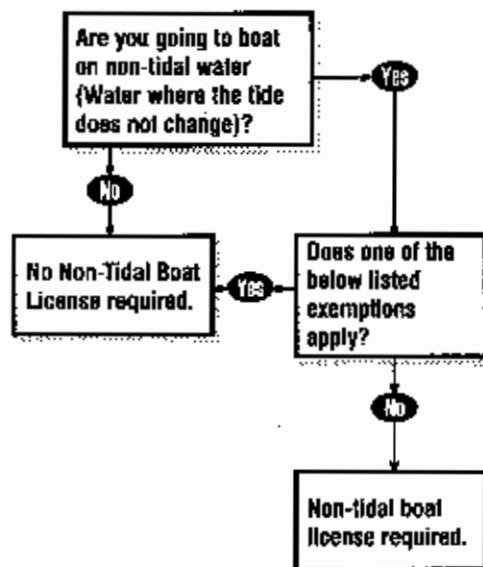
*Requirements for those under age 16 years are as follows:*



- 1) There are **NO EXEMPTIONS** to New Jersey age requirements.
- 2) **Out-of-state** residents who are at least 16 years of age and who will be in New Jersey for less than 90 days may operate a power vessel on the waters of the State of New Jersey if they possess a certificate issued by their state of residence or if they have in their possession written proof of successful completion of a boating safety course approved by another state, the US Coast Guard, or the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA).

## Q. Do I need to have a Non-Tidal Boat License?

*Requirements for possession of a Non-Tidal Boat License are below:*



### Exemptions:

- 1) Vessel powered by a motor less than 1 HP or a 12 volt electric motor.
- 2) A vessel 12 feet long or longer with less than 10 HP.
- 3) While competing in an authorized race pursuant to a permit issued by the Division of State Police in the Department of Law & Public Safety.
- 4) If the person is an out-of-state resident who has written proof of successful completion of a course substantially similar to a NJ approved Boating Safety Course.

*A boat license is separate from the boating safety certificate and is issued by the Motor Vehicle Commission (MVC).*