

MOTORBOAT OPERATOR TRAINING COURSE

The Motorboat Operator Training Course (MOTC) is recommended for all University of Washington personnel who operate motorized watercraft less than 65 feet in length to perform their duties. The hands-on course provides specific motorboat handling techniques and knowledge through classroom lectures, practical field exercises, and on-water exercises according to standards maintained by the Scientific Boating Safety Association and U.S. Department of Interior (DOI).

Overview

- Minimum of 24 hours of instruction*
- Flexible course format
- 5 year training currency
- Maximum 3:1 ratio of students to instructor during on-water modules
- Has reciprocity with the DOI's M.O.C.C.



Classroom

- UW Watercraft Policies
- Required Equipment
- Operating Systems
- Aids to Navigation
- Risk Management
- Communications
- Weather
- Marlinspike

Field

- Boat Orientation
- Boat/Trailer Maintenance + Inspection
- Water Survival + Rescue
- Fire Suppression
- Trailer Backing
- Boat Launch/ Retrieval

On-Water

- Docking
- Close Quarters Maneuvering
- Collision Avoidance
- Anchoring
- Beaching
- Rendering Assistance



*MOTC must be completed within 60 days of start of instruction.

Questions? Contact the UW Boating Safety Office at (206) 543-7262 or divesafe@uw.edu.