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COMPLETION OF AMERICA'S BOATING COURSE 3RD EDITION SAVES BOATERS MONEY!

The United States Power Squadrons has made it easy to obtain a Boating Certificate, which is required by many states before you can operate a boat or personal watercraft. Course completion will qualify most boaters for substantial discounts on their boat insurance- an added benefit that more than pays for the course.

America's Boating Course 3rd Edition, certified by the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA) and recognized by the U.S. Coast Guard, will be available for everyone on October 31, 2008. "The course has been extensively revised and rewritten to address new technological developments and meet updated state licensing requirements," said Richard Kyle, National Education Officer of the United States Power Squadrons. Kyle also said a completely new Introduction to Navigation chapter is included at no additional charge, and includes Basic Piloting Skills, How GPS (Global Positioning System) Works, and Basic Concepts in Coastal and Inland Navigation.

Responding to requests from boaters who wanted to take educational courses at their own pace, Kyle said *America's Boating Course 3rd Edition* can be completed in one of three ways: Participants will be able to take the course on the Internet; as a CD-based course; or in a classroom setting. All students will receive an extensive, full-color book and a self-study, animated and narrated CD. The book and CD serve as easy-to-use reference after the course has been completed.

When asked about the benefit of being awarded a Boating Certificate for successfully completing the *America's Boating Course 3rd Edition*, Kyle responded that boat insurance premiums may be reduced by as much as 10 percent. In fact, some insurers offer even greater discounts for those who also complete advanced courses offered by the United States Power Squadrons. Kyle urged everyone interested in saving money and being safe on the water to contact the United States Power Squadrons at (866) 262-8222. Online course registration for Internet courses can be found at www.americasboatingcourse.com, and classroom course registration and locations can be found at www.usps.org.