

Oklahoma Required Equipment Checklist



PWC

Boat Less
Than 16 Ft.

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To Less
Than 26 Ft.

Certification of Registration On Board	✓	✓	✓
Validation Decals Displayed	✓	✓	✓
PFDs: Type I, II, III, or V	✓ ¹	✓ ²	✓ ²
PFD: Type IV			✓
Type B-I Fire Extinguisher	✓	✓	✓
Ignition Safety Switch	✓		
Backfire Flame Arrestor	✓	✓ ³	✓ ³
Ventilation System	✓	✓	✓
Muffler	✓	✓	✓
Horn, Whistle, or Bell	✓	✓	✓
Daytime Visual Distress Signals			✓ ⁴
Nighttime Visual Distress Signals	✓ ⁴	✓ ⁴	✓ ⁴
Navigation Lights	✓	✓	✓

1. Those on PWCs must *wear* a PFD at all times.
2. Children under 13 years of age must *wear* a PFD whenever underway on a vessel less than 26 feet in length.
3. Required on inboard and stern drives only.
4. Required only if operating on federally controlled waters.

Oklahoma Department of Public Safety

Highway Patrol Division Lake Patrol Section

The Lake Patrol Section (Troop W) of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol Division serves as the boating safety education, enforcement, and marine investigation arm of the Oklahoma Department of Public Safety.



RESPONSIBILITIES

- Enforcing all state and federal laws, special rules, and regulations pertaining to boating safety
- Teaching boating safety education programs to schools, civic clubs, and other interested agencies and persons
- Performing emergency search, rescue, and recovery missions statewide in all man-made or natural disaster situations
- Providing training opportunities for other marine law enforcement agencies
- Conducting courtesy inspections of all vessels for proper equipment, registration, and overall safety
- Investigating and submitting reports on all boating accidents and drownings
- Presenting boating safety programs and exhibits at fairs, boat shows, and other public events
- Investigating marine theft and fraud within the territorial boundaries of Oklahoma



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