

CORDRY-SWEETWATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 2024 - 7

**RESOLUTION REQUIRING APPLICANTS FOR BOAT DECAL TO DEMONSTRATE
KNOWLEDGE OF CORDRY-SWEETWATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
AND STATE OF INDIANA BOATING SAFETY RULES AS A
CONDITION FOR OBTAINING A BOAT DECAL**

WHEREAS, the Cordry-Sweetwater Conservancy District (“CSCD”) is an Indiana Conservancy District organized and operated pursuant to I.C.14-33; and,

WHEREAS, the affairs of CSCD are managed by a Board of Directors authorized to exercise general supervision of and make regulations for the administration of the affairs of CSCD; and,

WHEREAS, CSCD owns and manages, as a part of its works of improvement, two (2) large lakes known as Cordry Lake and Sweetwater Lake (the “Lakes”); and,

WHEREAS, CSCD allows freeholders to operate motorized watercraft and to engage in water-based recreational activities on the Lakes, which activities include, but are not limited to, water skiing, tubing, fishing, and pleasure boating; and,

WHEREAS, the Lakes frequently become crowded with freeholders utilizing the Lakes for water-based recreation; and,

WHEREAS, CSCD regulates the number of watercraft that may be operated upon the Lakes and requires that all motorized watercraft operated on the Lakes obtain a decal issued by CSCD; and,

WHEREAS, due to the number of freeholders utilizing the Lakes and the nature of the water-based recreation occurring on the Lakes, the Board has determined that in order to receive a decal which permits the recipient to operate a motorized watercraft on the Lakes, an applicant must demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Board that the applicant is aware of and understands the various boating safety rules and regulations adopted by the State of Indiana and CSCD; and,

WHEREAS, in order to confirm that an applicant for a boat decal possesses sufficient knowledge and understanding of the boating safety rules and regulations of the State of Indiana and CSCD, an applicant, in order to receive a decal, must take and pass a test on the subject of boating safety and the boating safety rules and regulations of the State of Indiana and CSCD; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has caused to be prepared a test on the subject of boating safety and the boating safety rules and regulations of the State of Indiana and CSCD. A copy of the test is attached as Exhibit “A”.

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Cordry-Sweetwater Conservancy District that:

1. In order to obtain a decal allowing operation of a motorized watercraft on the Lakes, the applicant must demonstrate that the applicant is aware of and understands the boating safety rules and regulations of the State of Indiana and CSCD.

2. In order to confirm that an applicant for a decal possesses a sufficient understanding of the boating safety rules and regulations of the State of Indiana and CSCD, the applicant must pass a test on boating safety. The test shall be administered by the employees of the District under protocols established by the Director of Operations and Building Compliance Officer and the Director of Finance and Administration of the District.

3. The test shall consist of thirty-one (31) questions and is attached as Exhibit "A" to this Resolution.

4. In order to obtain a boat decal, an applicant must achieve a perfect score on the test. The applicant may retake the test until such time as the applicant achieves a perfect score.

5. A freeholder who has passed the test and been issued a decal is not required to retest in order to renew the decal unless the test is different than that set forth in Exhibit "A", in which case the applicant for renewal decal must take the revised test and correctly answer each question. An applicant for renewal decal may take the revised test multiple times until a perfect score is achieved.

6. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after February 20, 2024.

Adopted this 19 day of MARCH 2024.



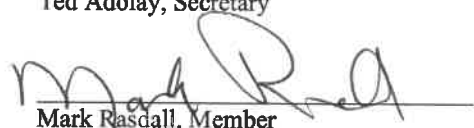



CORDRY-SWEETWATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS		<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>
 Michael Leavitt, Chairman	✓	—	—
 Aaron Parris, Vice Chairman	✓	—	—
<u>Absent</u> Ted Adolay, Secretary	—	—	—
 Mark Rasdall, Member	✓	—	—
 Pat Sherman, Member	—	—	—
 Jim Maulden, Member	✓	—	—
 Randy Brumfield, Member	✓	—	—

Exhibit A

Boat Safety Test Questions

1. The best way to prevent striking a swimmer with a moving boat propeller is to do what?
 - a. Place the engine in neutral but keep hands on the shifter to move if needed.
 - b. Speed away from the swimmer
 - c. Always turn the engine off when a swimmer is reboarding or entering the water
 - d. Instruct swimmers to wear bright color when in the water

2. What does a boat's capacity plate indicate?
 - a. The vessel registration number
 - b. The safe load carrying capacity by weight and/or person capacity
 - c. The size and capacity of the fuel tank
 - d. The maximum propeller diameter

3. Prior to departure, everyone onboard should be made aware of what type of equipment?
 - a. Fishing gear
 - b. Safety gear
 - c. Anchoring gear
 - d. Foul weather gear

4. What is the first thing you should do after retrieving a boat onto a trailer from the water?
 - a. Transfer all gear from the boat to the vehicle
 - b. Secure the boat to the trailer and pull the trailer away from the boat ramp
 - c. Check that the trailer lights are working
 - d. Secure any items that are loose in the boat

5. What type of boat requires navigation lights?
 - a. All motorized boats operating between sunset and sunrise
 - b. Sailboats less than 12 meters in length under sail only
 - c. Sailboats using power
 - d. Motorboats over 20 meters in length

6. What type of fire extinguisher is required on board a boat equipped with an inboard engine?
- "A" type fire extinguisher
 - "BC" type fire extinguisher
 - "AB" type fire extinguisher
 - "B" type fire extinguisher
7. Which of the following is a good technique when using a fire extinguisher?
- Direct the extinguisher at the base of the flames using a sweeping motion
 - Refrain from using until you know for certain that the fire won't go out on its own
 - Use only after attempting to soak the fire with water or covering with a blanket
 - Direct the extinguisher at the top of the fire and discharge fully
8. In general, what are dry chemical fire extinguishers designed to do?
- Add oxygen to the fire
 - Smother the fire
 - Wet down the fire
 - Blow out the fire
9. By operating a boat in Indiana, you have consented to what kind of test if directed?
- Sobriety
 - Swimming
 - Safety Equipment Test
 - Boating Test
10. CSCD follows all Indiana boating laws, what agency is responsible for regulating the state boating laws in Indiana?
- Indiana Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
 - Indiana State Parks and Recreation
 - Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles
 - Indiana Department of Natural Resources

11. Which of the following is against the law in Indiana?
- a. Placing your validation decals before the IN number
 - b. Having an inflatable PFD readily accessible but not worn
 - c. Jumping the wake of another vessel unreasonably close
 - d. Having an alcoholic beverage onboard a boat
12. Whenever the boat is underway on waters of concurrent jurisdiction, properly sized PFDs must be worn by children of what age in Indiana?
- a. 4 years of age and under
 - b. 12 years of age and under
 - c. 6 years of age and under
 - d. 8 years of age and under
13. If a diving (i.e. scuba) operation takes place from aboard a boat, a flag will be visible from the boat or in the water where the activity is taking place. This flag means, "diver down - keep clear"
- a. An American Flag (Attached image)
 - b. A solid red or orange flag (Attached image)
 - c. A red flag with white diagonal stripe and/or an Alpha flag a white and blue flag (Attached image)
 - d. A triangle flag black in color. (Attached Image)
14. What determines how many wearable personal floatation devices (PFDs) are required on a boat?
- a. Width of boat
 - b. Age of people on boat
 - c. Number of seats
 - d. Number of people aboard
15. What does this boating restriction sign indicate? (Attached Image)
- a. Do not enter
 - b. "no wake" means the boat is fully settled in the water and operated no faster than the speed required to maintain headway and steerage (idle speed), no greater than 5 mph.
 - c. Speed up

d. Diver ahead

16. CSCD lakes have three different color codes that regulate boating activity, what does the yellow light mean? (Note: CSCD can issue different colors for each lake, both lakes will not always be under the same boating color)

- a. Lake is closed
- b. Skier only
- c. Lake is open for idle speeds only
- d. Tubing only

17. If CSCD issues a red light on lakes, what does that mean?

- a. The lake listed with the red light is closed to all boaters
- b. The lake listed with red is for divers only
- c. The lake is open for idle speeds only
- d. The lake is open to all boaters

18. What is the maximum number of people you can pull behind a boat?

- a. No limit
- b. 3
- c. 2
- d. 1

19. When do you use your boats docking lights?

- a. When under full power
- b. Only in close quarter maneuvering, such as docking a boat.
- c. Flashing the lights to get a tubers attention
- d. Never

20. What direction of travel must you follow during boating hours?

- a. Direction of travel is not restricted, can go any way you want
- b. Clockwise
- c. Counterclockwise
- d. Northbound travel only

21. How many life jackets (PFDs) would you need to meet Indiana and CSCD rules if your boat was under way with eight (8) people?
- 7
 - The amount needed so each kid under 8 has one
 - One PFD per person plus a throwable device
 - Only for those that do not know how to swim
22. Would it be a violation under CSCD rules to sit in any place of a moving boat with feet hanging over the edge of the boat?
- Yes
 - No
23. Under CSCD rules what is the minimum amount of people a boat must have to be involved in an activity such as tubing, boarding, skiing, etc?
- 2, a driver and the person tubing
 - 4, a driver, a spotter, a tuber and a person with EMT experience
 - 3, a driver, spotter, and tuber
 - 3, a driver, and two persons tubing
24. When should a boat display a solid orange or red flag from your boat? (With the flag being at least 12 inches by 12 inches)
- When in distress
 - When a person is down in the water
 - When out of gas
 - At night time
25. What happens if you received three (3) violation tickets issued within a 365 day period at CSCD?
- You must take this test again
 - ALL of your boat decals may be revoked for 365 days
 - Nothing
 - You get a ticket from DNR

26. What lights should you have illuminated at nighttime while on a motorized watercraft?

- a. Docking lights
- b. Red and green sidelights and a white overhead
- c. Spot lights
- d. A flashlight

27. What is the maximum speed allowed at CSCD on weekends and legal holidays?

- a. 20 MPH
- b. 30 MPH
- c. 40 MPH
- d. No limit.

28. At dusk all NON motorized crafts should be illuminated so they craft and person on the craft are visible from 360 degrees.

- a. True
- b. False

29. When recreational boating activities are taking place, and a person is present in the water what should other boater in the area do?

- a. Sound a horn
- b. Keep on same course at same speed
- c. Slow down and avoid the area, even if that means slowing down and entering the no wake zone to avoid the area.
- d. All of the above.

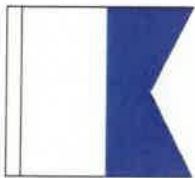
30. When on a non-motorized watercraft, (i.e. kayak, canoe, paddle boat, paddleboard) which of the following is true?

- a. No PED(s) are need for anyone
- b. a PED is needed to be worn at all times
- c. the watercraft has to carry a wearable PFD for every person, but wearing it is recommended
- d. only one throwable device is needed

31. What age must a driver of a motorized boat with greater than 10 horsepower be on CSCD?

- a. 12
- b. 21
- c. 18
- d. 16

Image for Question 13:



Images for Question 15:

