**§13063. Requirements for operators who carry passengers for hire with motorboat**

**1. Prohibition.**  A person may not operate a motorboat carrying passengers for hire without having successfully completed a boater safety education course approved by a national association of state boating law administrators and approved by the commissioner. A person operating a motorboat carrying passengers for hire shall provide proof of having successfully completed a course under this subsection when requested by the commissioner or the commissioner's agent. For purposes of this section, "carrying passengers for hire" means receiving remuneration to carry passengers in a motorboat from one predetermined point to another predetermined point on inland waters.

A. A person who violates this subsection commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than $100 nor more than $500 may be adjudged. [PL 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §373 (NEW); PL 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF).]

B. A person who violates this subsection after having been adjudicated as having committed 3 or more civil violations under this Part within the previous 5-year period commits a Class E crime. [PL 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §373 (NEW); PL 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF).]

[PL 2019, c. 324, §3 (AMD).]

**2. Requirement.**  Every operator of a motorboat, other than a licensed Maine guide certified in watercraft safety, carrying passengers for hire, except those operators who have been issued and have or are required to have in their possession a current valid federal operator's license, shall show proof of having successfully completed an approved boater safety education course in accordance with subsection 1 upon request of the commissioner or the commissioner's agent.

A. [PL 2019, c. 324, §3 (RP).]

B. [PL 2019, c. 324, §3 (RP).]

[PL 2019, c. 324, §3 (AMD).]

**3. Issuance.**

[PL 2019, c. 324, §3 (RP).]

**4. Fee.**

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**5. Renewal.**

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**6. Expiration.**

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