



NATIONAL BOATING FEDERATION

Representing America's Boaters



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• **Founded in 1966 in Chicago by Ron Stone at the request of the Coast Guard and other agencies**

• **Charter Members**

- **Chesapeake Bay Yacht Clubs Association**
- **Inter-Lake Yachting Association**
- **Massachusetts Bay Yacht Clubs Association**
- **Pennsylvania Boating Association**

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Objectives

- **To encourage effective programs of education and research**
- **To represent, promote, and protect boating, recreational activities, and interests of recreational boaters at the national level**
- **To encourage programs of development and conservation of water resources**

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- **To provide a medium of exchange of boating information; to strive for unanimity among recreational boaters through their national, regional, and state organizations; to provide a responsible voice in all matters affecting their interest; and to encourage boaters to organize for stronger, more effective representation**

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- To act as liaison among boaters, boating organizations, and federal and state agencies



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- **The NBF represents, at the national level, over 2,000,000 recreational boaters**



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**Associated Yacht
Clubs**

**Great Lakes Cruising
Club**

IOBG

**Chesapeake Bay
Yacht Clubs Assn.**

**Greater Cleveland
Boating Assn.**

District 1, IOBG

**Florida Council of
Yacht Clubs**

**Inter-Lake Yachting
Assn.**

Lake Michigan Yachting Assn.



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**Massachusetts
Boating & Yacht
Clubs Assn.**

**Northwest Boating
Council**

**Oregon Federation of
Boaters**

**Pacific Inter-Club
Yachting Assn.**

**Pennsylvania
Boating Assn.**

**Potomac River
Yacht Clubs Assn.**

**Recreational
Boating Assn. of
Washington
United States
Power Squadrons
United States
Sailing Assn.**

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Current Issues-Positions

- **Aggressively supports modernization of Loran C**
 - **Redundant Navigation System**
 - **Safety for recreational boaters**
 - **Actively participated in congressional hearings**
- **Supporting 50/50 split in motorboat fuel excise tax for boating safety and sport fish restoration**



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Current Issues-Positions

- **Mandatory wear of PFDs for children under 12 on a boat and underway**
- **Requiring more effective MSD Type 1**
- **Study on the impact of cell phones on marine communications**

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Closing

- Copies of LOOKOUT
- Questions
- Thank You