



# Piloting Course



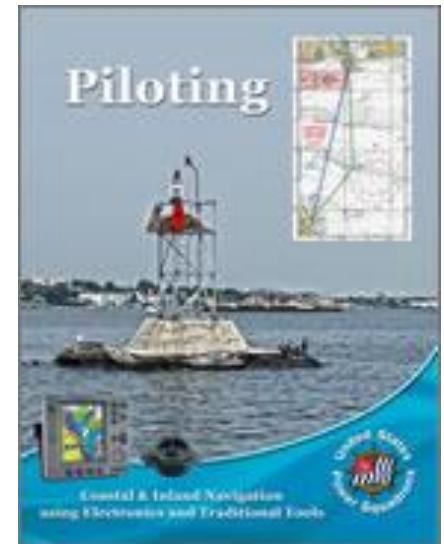
## United States Power Squadrons® Pamlico Sail & Power Squadron

**Date:** July 17 – August 21 2019  
Each Wednesday for 7 weeks

**Time:** Evenings 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

**Cost:** \$65 for Members or  
\$100 for non-Members  
(only \$10 more respectively for a couple sharing the course materials)

**Location:** 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church  
211 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Washington, NC



### Course Description

Piloting is the first course in a sequence of USPS courses on navigation, covering the basics of coastal and inland navigation. This course focuses on navigation as it is done on recreational boats today and embraces GPS as a primary navigation tool while covering enough of the traditional techniques so the student will be able to find his/her way even if their GPS fails. Topics include:

- Charts and their interpretation
- Landmarks and Navigation aids (buoys, daymarks, lights, etc)
- Plotting courses and determining direction and distance
- The mariner's compass and the converting between True and Magnetic
- Use of GPS – basic GPS displays and information they provide, setting up waypoints and routes, staying on a GPS route
- Pre-planning safe courses and entering them into the GPS
- Monitoring progress and determining position by both GPS and traditional techniques such as bearings and dead reckoning
- The “Seaman’s Eye”, a simple skill for checking that one is on course

To Register: Contact our PSPS Educational Officer, Linda Erickson, by email [pspsed@gmail.com](mailto:pspsed@gmail.com) or call her at 252-964-3009



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**Deadline for registration is July 10**