

# Vessel Safety Check Event

The Cypress Landing Yacht Club is ready to kick off the boating season by organizing **Free Vessel Safety Checks** conducted by America's Boating Club of the Pamlico for all boaters.

**Date: Wednesday, April 20, 2022**

**Time: 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon**

**Location: Cypress Landing Marina**

**Sign up in the Marina Office for your VSC & indicating your requested time.**



**Who** should be interested in an inspection that will help make them a safer boater? **Everyone**.....power boats, sailboats, pontoons, personal water craft, kayaks and fishing boats. It takes only 20 minutes for the review!

A **Vessel Safety Check** is a voluntary, courtesy examination of your boat (Vessel) to verify the presence and condition of certain Safety Equipment required by State and Federal regulations. The PSPS Vessel Examiner is a trained specialist who will make certain recommendations and discuss safety issues that will make you a safer boater. Vessels that pass will be able to display the distinctive VSC decal. This does not exempt you from law enforcement boarding, but you will be prepared to make any boarding a positive encounter.

The various areas that will be covered during your **Free Vessel Safety Check** are:

- Required boating and safety equipment
- Display of required numbers
- Registration and documentation
- Personal flotation devices (PFD's)
- Visual distress signals (VDS or flares)
- Pollution Placard (vessels of 26+ feet)
- Marpol Trash Placard (vessels 26+ feet)
- Overall vessel condition
- Backfire flame control
- Sound producing devices
- Navigation lights
- Fire Extinguishers
- Ventilation
- Marine sanitation device (head)
- State Regulations
- Navigation Rules

It would be helpful, but not mandatory, to **sign up for your inspection in the Marina Office**. An additional date will be scheduled in May for Vessel Safety Checks. Contact Commander Walt Morrissey at [VSC@pspsnc.com](mailto:VSC@pspsnc.com) if this date does not allow you to participate. Otherwise we will see you on Wednesday, April 20th on the docks.

**Remember: Many insurance companies offer additional discounts as a result of passing a Vessel Safety Check, as well as, a Discount Coupon from West Marine for safety supplies.**

**To learn more about America's Boating Club of the Pamlico visit their web site at <http://www.pamlicosailandpowersquadron.org>**