

# Vessel Safety Check Event



The Cypress Landing Yacht Club had organized **Free Vessel Safety Checks** conducted by the Pamlico Sail & Power Squadron for all boaters at the marina.

**Date: Saturday, June 12, 2021**

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

**Location: Cypress Landing Marina**

**Sign up in the Marina Office for your VSC & indicate a specific time if needed.**



*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**. Or you can contact Fred Schroeder directly at [VSC@pspsnc.com](mailto:VSC@pspsnc.com) or call 252-948-0682. Otherwise, we will see you on Saturday, June 12th 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.

**Visit their web site at <http://www.pamlicosailandpowersquadron.org>**