



BSA Paddle Craft Safety expands Safety Afloat training to include the skills, as well as the knowledge, required for a unit leader to assess whether or not they are qualified to supervise a canoeing or kayaking activity. Persons completing the training will have the opportunity to learn the skills to safely launch and maneuver a canoe or kayak along with planning and rescue techniques.

There are 2 modules of training for canoeing and/or kayaking: 1) Basic and 2) River (moving water). The training modules are open to any registered adult leader, Scout, Varsity, or Venturer, who is age 15 or older. The Basic Module Paddle Craft Safety is a prerequisite to the River (moving water) Module. Those who have previously taken Paddle Craft Safety are eligible to take the River Module.

The trainings are conducted by council approved ACA instructors, takes roughly 8 hours for each level and is valid for three years. You must be able to pass and be classified as a BSA swimmer to take this class and pass the final written test to get the card and badge.

Dates/times:

- Basic Module Saturday 3/23/24, 8:30am – 9pm – Location: Camp Tom Wooten, Hagn Lodge and Waterfront
- River Module Sunday 3/24/24, 8:30am - 5pm – Location Camp Tom Wooten, Hagn Lodge and Colorado River

Cost: \$180 for both modules.

Includes: Lunch both days, Dinner Saturday night, Sunday morning breakfast

Location: Camp Tom Wooten @ LPSR

Registration Deadline: March 18, 2024

Bring your BSA medical form parts A, B required, and C if you have it, swimsuit, sunscreen, a long sleeve shirt for UV protection, towel, water shoes (not crocs). You may also wish to bring a wetsuit (optional) – River water temps could be in the 70's but air temps could be in the 60's.

We will be camping near the training area so bring your personal camping gear if planning to stay.

To register: Go to CAC website, mouse over the TRAINING header, click on PADDLE CRAFT, which will take you to the Paddle Craft Safety Training Registration button. Once registered, we will contact students to make arrangements for them to receive reading materials

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