



Assemblywoman Kimberly Jean-Pierre: Helping New Yorkers **stay safe on the water**

"Summer is a great time to have fun on the water, but it's important to keep safety in mind. I sponsored Brianna's Law to ensure our families can enjoy all the water recreation Long Island has to offer, and keep tragedy at bay."

— Kimberly Jean-Pierre

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Assemblywoman Kimberly Jean-Pierre: **New boating safety requirements in effect**

Jean-Pierre authored and passed Brianna's Law, which requires all motorboat operators to have a boating safety certificate (Ch. 147 of 2019). The legislation is named in honor of Brianna Lieneck, an 11-year-old Long Island girl who tragically died in a 2005 boating accident.

Know the Law

Anyone who was born on or after Jan. 1, 1993, must have a boating certificate to operate motorboats on waterways. The new requirement continues phasing in until all New Yorkers who operate a boat must have a certificate beginning in 2025.

To learn
more visit:

parks.ny.gov/recreation/boating/safety-courses.aspx

Due to COVID-19, in-person boating safety courses can only be held in counties that have reached Phase 4 of their reopening process. However, online course options are available. Approved courses include those offered by the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, U.S. Power Squadrons, U.S. Powerboating and state Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation. For a list of online and classroom courses, visit parks.ny.gov/recreation/boating/education.aspx.



Questions? Concerns? My office is here to help.

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