



Chapter 2: Air Boat Safety Training

Suggested Safety Equipment and Gear for Air Boat Owners and Users

Air Boats are a popular and exciting mode of transportation on the water, but they also come with their own set of risks and hazards. As such, it is important for Air Boat owners and users to prioritize safety by investing in the proper equipment and gear. Seals will discuss the suggested

essential safety equipment and gear that all Air Boat owners and users should have on board.



One of the most important pieces of safety equipment for Air Boat owners and users is a life jacket. In the event of an accident or emergency, a life jacket can mean the difference between life and death. It is crucial that all passengers on board an Air Boat wear a properly fitted life jacket or have easily available life jackets at all times while on the water.

Another essential piece of safety gear for Air Boat owners and users is a Class B fire extinguisher. While the risk of fire on an Air Boat is relatively low, having a fire extinguisher on board can provide peace of mind and ensure that you are prepared in case of an emergency.



Additionally, all Air Boat owners and users should have a first aid kit on board. Accidents can happen at any time and having a well-stocked first aid kit can help in treating minor injuries or providing temporary relief until professional medical help arrives.



Other items that will come in handy for many uses is ropes of different lengths.



Bucket, Ice Chest, Long paddle, Anchor, and Floatation Buoy.



It is highly suggested to have plenty of water for everyone and extra fluids for the engine onboard. Seals suggest having what we call a Go Bag with included items you might need on an unplanned extended time on the water, which we cover in detail during Seal's training courses.

It is also important for Air Boat owners and users to invest in a reliable GPS system. This can help with navigation, especially in unfamiliar waters, and can be crucial in case of an emergency or getting lost. Proper communication equipment, such as a marine radio or cell phone, should be on board at all times. This can help in contacting emergency services or other boats in case of an emergency. By investing in the proper safety equipment and gear, Air Boat owners and users can enjoy their time on the water with peace of mind knowing that they are prepared for any situation.

Emergency Procedures and Protocols for Air Boat Operations

Seals outlines some accepted emergency procedures and protocols that are essential for safe Air Boat operations. Whether you are an experienced Air Boat owner or a novice user, it is crucial to be prepared for any unexpected situations that may arise while out on the water.

First and foremost, all Air Boat operators should familiarize themselves with the location and proper use of safety equipment on board. This includes life jackets, fire extinguishers, and emergency flares. In the event of an emergency, quick access to these items can make all the difference in ensuring the safety of everyone on board.

Additionally, proper communication protocols should be established before setting out on any journey. This includes designating a person in charge of contacting emergency services in case of an accident or distress signal. Clear communication among passengers and crew members can help prevent confusion and ensure a coordinated response to any emergency situation.

In the event of an engine failure or other mechanical issue, it is important to have a plan in place for troubleshooting and resolving the problem. Regular maintenance and inspection of the Air

Boat's engine and other critical components can help prevent breakdowns, but it is essential to be prepared for any unforeseen issues that may arise.

Lastly, all Air Boat operators should be trained in basic first aid and rescue procedures. In the event of a medical emergency or a passenger overboard, knowing how to administer first aid and safely perform a rescue can be life-saving. Training in these procedures should be a priority for all Air Boat owners, users, and operators, as it can make the difference between a successful outing and a potentially dangerous situation.

Seals Training and Safety Course covers and demonstrates those Procedures and Practices in detail.

Please check out all 10 chapters. You will be well on your way to becoming a safe Air Boater.

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