



# MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

## STANDARD OPERATING INSTRUCTION

### MARINE OPERATIONS – HARBOR PATROL UNIT

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**WILEAG STANDARD(S):** 2.4.6, 6.1.2,  
12.2.1, 13.1.6

#### **I. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this standard operating instruction is to communicate the administrative procedures and responsibilities of the Milwaukee Police Department Harbor Patrol Unit.

#### **II. POLICY (WILEAG 13.1.6)**

It is the policy of the Milwaukee Police Department Harbor Patrol Unit to:

- A. Provide maritime law enforcement, search and rescue, and related services within the area of operations.  
(WILEAG 13.1.6.1)
- B. Provide protection for facilities of the Port of Milwaukee and critical infrastructure on the waterways.
- C. Provide safety and security zones for maritime events.
- D. Maintain a recreational boat patrol eligible for reimbursement under State Aids to Boat Patrols as defined in Wisconsin statutes and Administrative Code NR50.
- E. Work cooperatively with partner agencies to enhance safety on Milwaukee waterways.

#### **III. MISSION**

The mission of the Milwaukee Police Department Harbor Patrol Unit is to enhance safety and provide police services on the waterways, and in those areas and assignments deemed appropriate by the commander of the Specialized Patrol Division, with an emphasis on reducing crime, fear and disorder.

#### **IV. ORGANIZATION**

- A. The Harbor Patrol Unit shall consist of specially trained personnel, boats and equipment. The Harbor Patrol Unit shall be assigned to the Specialized Patrol Division with such hours and duties as directed by the commander of the Specialized Patrol Division. Assignment to the Harbor Patrol shall be under the sole discretion of the Chief of Police or his/her designee.

**B. HARBOR PATROL SUPERVISOR**

A police supervisor shall be designated the “Harbor Patrol supervisor” and shall coordinate the operations of the Harbor Patrol.

**C. TRAINING OFFICERS**

Selected officers from the Harbor Patrol Unit will be designated as “training officers” and as such will assist the Harbor Patrol supervisor in the development and coordination of the training of personnel.

**D. MECHANICS**

Selected officers from the Harbor Patrol Unit will be designated as “mechanics” and will be responsible for performing preventative and scheduled maintenance of outboard motors and other equipment.

**V. RESPONSIBILITIES (WILEAG 2.4.6, 6.1.2, 12.2.1)****A. HARBOR PATROL SUPERVISOR**

The Harbor Patrol supervisor shall be responsible for:

1. Supervising the assigned personnel in all duties, under the direction of the commander of the Specialized Patrol Division.
2. Scheduling assigned personnel within the unit.
3. Ensuring continued proficiency of assigned personnel in specialized knowledge and physical ability necessitated by the nature of the assignment.
4. Overseeing maintenance, upkeep, and physical accountability of all vessels and equipment.
5. Administering the unit’s operating budget.
6. Identify specific needs of the Harbor Patrol Unit and coordinate with the department grant coordinator regarding the Port Security grants. The Harbor Patrol Unit supervisor shall also be responsible for identifying other funding sources.
7. Participating in meetings of the Area Maritime Security Committee, Harbor Safety Committee, and other entities whose concerns include maritime security within the city of Milwaukee.
8. Ensuring the unit’s eligibility for State Aids to Boat Patrols by complying with administrative requirements, continuously ensuring activity hours are within ratios required within Wisconsin Administrative Code Chapter NR 50, and adjusting patrol strategy accordingly.

9. Coordinating with the US Coast Guard and other agencies to provide safety and security for maritime events.
10. Creation of unit postings, conducting applicant interviews and background investigations, administering of physical testing, and making personnel recommendations to the commander of the Specialized Patrol Division.
11. Reports and Records
  - a. Training records of personnel
  - b. Maintenance of vessels and equipment
  - c. DNR-mandated forms related to patrol operation
  - d. Vehicle inspection reports
  - e. Other reports as may be required
12. Conducting training of new personnel as well as completing training and performance evaluations.  
(WILEAG 6.1.2.2)

#### B. TRAINING OFFICERS

Training officers shall assist in those duties related to training as directed by the Harbor Patrol supervisor, with the approval of the commander of the Specialized Patrol Division.

(WILEAG 6.1.2.2)

#### C. MECHANICS

Mechanics are trained members who will be responsible for completing all preventative maintenance of marine engines, generators, and equipment as assigned. Mechanics will submit maintenance records to the Harbor Patrol supervisor.

(WILEAG 6.1.2.4)

#### D. VEHICLE MANAGER

The vehicle manager shall ensure that all vehicles assigned to the Harbor Patrol are inspected periodically and maintained, and the monthly *Vehicle Equipment Check List* (form PS-10) and related reports are submitted to the Harbor Patrol supervisor.

(WILEAG 6.1.2.4)

#### E. VESSEL MANAGERS

Each platform shall have a vessel manager designated. That person shall be responsible for documenting the periodic inspections, assigned equipment, and general condition of his/her respective vessel, and ensuring those reports are submitted to the Harbor Patrol

supervisor.  
(WILEAG 6.1.2.4)

#### F. EQUIPMENT OFFICER

The Harbor Patrol equipment officer, in coordination with the vehicle manager and respective vessel managers, shall ensure that equipment not assigned to a particular vehicle or vessel is properly maintained and available for use. The equipment officer shall be responsible for maintaining adequate levels of needed supplies, keeping track of their locations, and providing documentation to the Harbor Patrol supervisor.  
(WILEAG 6.1.2.4)

#### G. WEAPONS OFFICER

The Harbor Patrol weapons officer shall conduct periodic physical inventory of weapons and ammunition, and ensure the maintenance, cleaning and proper functioning of rifles and shotguns assigned to the Harbor Patrol. The weapons officer shall provide documentation to the Harbor Patrol supervisor.  
(WILEAG 6.1.2.4)

#### H. COXSWAIN

Each boat crew will have a designated coxswain, who shall be responsible for the safe and prudent operation of that vessel for that shift. The coxswain will generally have the most training, experience, and highest credentials of the crew. The responsibility inherent in this position necessitates that the coxswain's orders are followed by other crew members. The coxswain will also be responsible for ensuring mechanical checks are performed and daily activity is documented.  
(WILEAG 6.1.2.2)

#### I. CREWMAN

An officer assigned to a boat crew who is not the coxswain will be designated as a crewman. Crewmen shall keep watch, handle lines and perform functions on the boat deck as needed.  
(WILEAG 6.1.2.2)

#### J. OFFICERS

Officers assigned to this unit shall:

1. Perform their primary duties except when their services are required for special duties or training purposes.
2. Be responsible for, maintain, and properly utilize all equipment issued to them.
3. Attend formal training as directed and approved by the commander of the Specialized Patrol Division.  
(WILEAG 6.1.2.2, 6.1.2.4)

**VI. UNIFORMS AND EQUIPMENT (WILEAG 6.1.2, 13.1.6)**

The Harbor Patrol uniforms and equipment shall be in compliance with this standard operating instruction.

**A. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT**

In addition to the regulation uniform, Harbor Patrol members shall be issued and may wear the following:

1. Department authorized nylon Sam Browne belt and accessories.
2. Department authorized BDU trousers.
3. Department authorized uniform shorts.
4. Department authorized personal flotation devices (PFDs), including type V manual/automatic PFDs, search and rescue (SAR) PFD vests, Mustang coveralls, and boat crew drysuits. Personal flotation devices shall be worn by crew members, prisoners and passengers while on deck and outside the cabin.

**B. VEHICLES**

Vehicles will be inspected monthly by the vehicle manager and the results indicated on the Specialized Patrol Division - Harbor Patrol *Vehicle Equipment Check List* (form PS-10). Officers will make the following daily checks on the squad assigned to them.

1. The following items shall be checked:
  - a. Check oil, brake fluid, antifreeze, transmission, washer and all other fluid levels.
  - b. Check battery terminals.
  - c. Check squad equipment listed on the *Vehicle Equipment Check List* (form PS-10)
  - d. Check special Harbor Patrol equipment listed for that particular vehicle.
  - e. Inspect interior for cleanliness.
  - f. Inspect exterior for damage.
  - g. Check camera and computer (if applicable) to ensure they are functioning.
  - h. Check lights, siren and all vehicle lights and signals to ensure they are in working order.
2. Officers shall also check trucks and attached trailer, before deploying, for:
  - a. Proper connection of trailer.

- b. Proper securing of boat on trailer, lowering of masts and roof antennas.
- c. Air pressure of trailer tires.
- d. Trailer bearing grease.
- e. Ensure lights are working properly.

### C. BOATS

1. The Harbor Patrol will maintain equipment and mechanical checklists for each boat to be completed on a per shift basis. Checklist contents will vary between platforms and will depend upon the vessel's nomenclature and assigned equipment.
2. Department boats are to be operated by trained coxswains only, or by crew members in training under the supervision of a training officer or coxswain. Untrained personnel shall not act as crew members. US Coast Guard and DNR personnel may act as boat crew members with permission from the Harbor Patrol supervisor.
3. Boats assigned to the Harbor Patrol will operate with a minimum of two persons. (Exception: The 2013 SafeBoat 23TT may safely be operated by one individual.)
4. Equipment assigned to Harbor Patrol boats may only be utilized by personnel trained in its use.
5. Equipment normally carried on boat 1595 during the boating season will minimally consist of the following:
  - a. Search and Rescue
    - i. Rescue Heaving Line (2)
    - ii. Search and Rescue (SAR) Vests (2)
    - iii. Type IV Personal Floatation Device (PFD) with Strobe
    - iv. Rescue Line Bag (2)
    - v. Dewatering Pump
    - vi. Type B-(2) Fire Extinguisher (2)
    - vii. Forward Looking Infrared (FLIR) Camera
    - viii. First Aid Kit
    - ix. Furuno NavNet Electronics/Navigation Package
    - x. Thermal Eye Handheld Infra Red Monocular

- xi. Night Vision Monocular with Head Mount
- xii. Automated External Defibrillator (AED)
- b. Towing
  - i. Tow Line and Cover
  - ii. Telescoping Boat Hook/Skiff Attachment
  - iii. Bow Eye Towing Bridle, 20'
  - iv. "V" Towing Bridle, 40'
  - v.  $\frac{3}{4}$  Red Towing Line, 35' (2)
  - vi.  $\frac{3}{4}$  White Towing Line, 25' (4)
  - vii.  $\frac{3}{4}$  Black Working Line, 25' (6)
  - viii. Tow shackle
  - ix. Tow fenders (4)
- c. Crew Safety
  - i. Mustang Ocean Commander Immersion Suits (3)
  - ii. Emergency Position-Indicating Radio Beacon (EPIRB)
  - iii. Flare Kit
  - iv. Biohazard Kit
  - v. Anchor
  - vi. Anchor Rode 150' with shackle
- d. Enforcement Equipment
  - i. Shotgun
  - ii. CF-31 Toughbook
  - iii. Image Stabilizing Binoculars
  - iv. Standard Horizon Marine VHF Radio (2)
  - v. Preliminary Breath Test (PBT)

6. Equipment normally carried on boat 1596 during the boating season will minimally consist of the following:
  - a. Search and Rescue
    - i. Rescue Heaving Line (2)
    - ii. SAR Vests (2)
    - iii. Type IV PFD with Strobe
    - iv. Rescue Line Bag (2)
    - v. Dewatering Pump
    - vi. Type B-2 Fire Extinguisher (2)
    - vii. First Aid Kit
    - viii. Furuno NavNet Electronics / Navigation Package
    - ix. FLIR Camera
    - x. Thermal Eye Handheld Infra Red Monocular
    - xi. Night Vision Monocular with Head Mount
    - xii. AED
    - xiii. Stokes Litter
  - b. Towing
    - i. Tow Line with Cover
    - ii. Telescoping Boat Hook with Skiff Attachment
    - iii. Bow Eye Towing Bridle, 20'
    - iv. "V" Towing Bridle, 40'
    - v.  $\frac{3}{4}$  Red Towing Line, 35' (2)
    - vi.  $\frac{3}{4}$  White Towing Line, 25' (4)
    - vii.  $\frac{3}{4}$  Black Working Line, 25' (3)
    - viii. Tow shackle



- ix. Tow fenders (4)
- c. Crew Safety
  - i. Mustang Ocean Commander Immersion Suits (3)
  - ii. EPIRB
  - iii. Flare Kit
  - iv. Biohazard Kit
  - v. Anchor
  - vi. Anchor Rode, 150' with shackle
- d. Enforcement Equipment
  - i. Shotgun
  - ii. CF-31 Toughbook
  - iii. Image Stabilizing Binoculars
  - iv. Standard Horizon Marine VHF Radio (2)
  - v. PBT
- 7. Equipment normally carried on boat 1597 during the boating season will minimally consist of the following:
  - a. Search and Rescue
    - i. Rescue Heaving Line (2)
    - ii. SAR Vests (2)
    - iii. Type IV PFD with Strobe
    - iv. Rescue Line Bag (2)
    - v. Dewatering Pump
    - vi. Type B-2 Fire Extinguisher (2)
    - vii. First Aid Kit
    - viii. Furuno NavNet Electronics / Navigation Package

- ix. FLIR Camera
- x. Stokes Litter
- xi. Automated External Defibrillator (AED)
- b. Towing
  - i. Tow Line with Cover
  - ii. Telescoping Boat Hook with Skiff Attachment
  - iii. Bow Eye Towing Bridle, 20'
  - iv. "V" Towing Bridle, 40'
  - v.  $\frac{3}{4}$  Red Towing Line, 35' (2)
  - vi.  $\frac{3}{4}$  White Towing Line, 25' (4)
  - vii.  $\frac{3}{4}$  Black Working Line, 35' (6)
  - viii. Tow shackle (2)
  - ix. Tow fenders (5)
- c. Crew Safety
  - i. Mustang Ocean Commander Immersion Suits (3)
  - ii. Type V PFDs (2)
  - iii. EPIRB
  - iv. Flare Kit
  - v. Biohazard Kit
  - vi. Anchor
  - vii. Anchor Rode, 150' with shackle
- d. Enforcement Equipment
  - i. Shotgun
  - ii. CF-31 Toughbook
  - iii. Bluetooth Printer

- iv. Image Stabilizing Binoculars
  - v. Standard Horizon Marine VHF Radio (2)
8. Equipment normally carried on boat 1599 during the boating season will minimally consist of the following:
- a. Search and Rescue
    - i. Rescue Heaving Line (1)
    - ii. Type IV PFD with Strobe
    - iii. Rescue Line Bag (1)
    - iv. Dewatering Pump
    - v. Type B-1 Fire Extinguisher (2)
    - vi. First Aid Kit
    - vii. Automated External Defibrillator (AED)
    - viii. Furuno NavNet Electronics / Navigation Package
    - ix. Hull-Mounted Sidescan Sonar
  - b. Towing
    - i. Tow Line with Cover
    - ii. Telescoping Boat Hook with Skiff Attachment
    - iii. Bow Eye Towing Bridle, 20'
    - iv. "V" Towing Bridle, 40'
    - v.  $\frac{3}{4}$  Red Towing Line, 35' (2)
    - vi.  $\frac{3}{4}$  White Towing Line, 25' (2)
    - vii.  $\frac{3}{4}$  Black Working Line, 35' (6)
  - c. Crew Safety
    - i. Flare Kit
    - ii. Biohazard Kit

- iii. Anchor
- iv. Anchor Rode, 150' with shackle
- d. Enforcement Equipment
  - i. Shotgun
  - ii. CF-31 Toughbook
  - iii. Image Stabilizing Binoculars
  - iv. Standard Horizon Marine VHF Radio  
(WILEAG 6.1.2.3, 13.1.6.2)

## VII. **TRAINING** (WILEAG 2.4.6, 6.1.2, 13.1.6)

### A. TRAINING PROGRAM

Training shall be required for new Harbor Patrol officers. Officers shall undergo an established training program coordinated by the Harbor Patrol supervisor, or a designated training officer. Officers are required to maintain proficiency and demonstrate various skills on an annual basis.  
(WILEAG 6.1.2.2)

### B. OUTSOURCED TRAINING

1. New officers are mandated to undergo specific training mandated by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR), including:
  - a. MPD or DNR 40-hour new officer/warden boat operation training.
  - b. MPD or DNR 4-hour new boat patrol officer/warden administrative training.
  - c. Wisconsin DNR Boater Safety Course if born after January 1, 1989.
2. In addition, officers will attend and pass the following courses, as available:
  - a. Seated standardized field sobriety test administration.
  - b. Tactical boat operations.
  - c. Pursuit and stop.
  - d. Water safety and survival.
  - e. Close quarters boat handling.
  - f. United States Coast Guard (USCG) search pattern training.

3. Assigned officers shall be eligible to receive and maintain his/her Operator of Uninspected Passenger Vessel (OUPV) Merchant Mariner credential (also known as the US Coast Guard Captain's License). Officers are expected to make application for this credential when requisite underway time has been documented.  
(WILEAG 6.1.2.2, 13.1.6.3)

### C. INTERNAL TRAINING

1. The internal training curriculum shall be based upon US Coast Guard standards. Officers assigned to the Harbor Patrol Unit must master the instructed curriculum, beginning with deck qualifications and working up to coxswain qualifications. Officers must demonstrate proficiency on an annual basis to retain their operating status and position on the unit. The curriculum shall include the following topics:
  - a. Boat crew duties and responsibilities.
  - b. Patrols.
  - c. Crew efficiency standards.
  - d. Team coordination and risk management.
  - e. First aid.
  - f. Survival equipment.
  - g. Marlinspike seamanship.
  - h. Boat characteristics.
  - i. Stability.
  - j. Boat handling.
  - k. Communications.
  - l. Weather and oceanography.
  - m. Aids to navigation.
  - n. Navigation.
  - o. Search and rescue.  
(WILEAG 13.1.6.3)
  - p. Person in the water recovery.
  - q. Towing.

- r. Firefighting, rescue and assistance.
2. Members shall also receive instruction and become proficient in use of all boat specific equipment, including:
    - a. Navigation equipment, chart plotters and marine radios.
    - b. Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacons (EPIRB) and Personal Locator Beacons (PLB).
    - c. Personal Floatation Devices (PFDs), immersion suits, Search and Rescue (SAR) vests, flares and self-rescue equipment.
    - d. Image-stabilized binoculars, night vision devices and Forward Looking Infrared (FLIR).
    - e. Line launchers.
    - f. Dewatering pumps and damage control equipment.
    - g. Stokes litter and rescue/recovery implements.
    - h. Side scan sonar.  
(WILEAG 6.1.2.2)

#### D. PHYSICAL TRAINING

The environment in which the Harbor Patrol operates necessitates that members maintain a level of physical fitness. Members will be required to attend physical fitness training sessions scheduled during November – April. Physical training is not intended to provide all necessary opportunity for fitness training. It is incumbent upon members to maintain their physical health.

These include the following exercises:

1. 1.5-mile run.
2. Push ups.
3. Sit ups.
4. Vertical jump.
5. Swimming.

#### VIII. HOURS OF ASSIGNMENT

The Harbor Patrol Unit shall be comprised of shifts as designated by the commander of the Specialized Patrol Division. Personnel shall work eight (8) hour shifts as scheduled by

the Harbor Patrol supervisor.

**IX. USE OF THE HARBOR PATROL (WILEAG 6.1.2, 13.1.6)**

**A. SPECIAL USE**

In addition to the regular patrol duties as directed by the commander of the Specialized Patrol Division, the Harbor Patrol may be used for:

1. Search and rescue operations, including ice rescue.
2. Safety and security for maritime events, such as fireworks, regattas and races, air shows and festivals, dignitary visits, etc.
3. Search and recovery of human remains and other evidence from bodies of water. Recovered human remains will be transported to the US Coast Guard facility at 2420 S. Lincoln Memorial Drive unless the investigation dictates otherwise.
4. Transportation and support of the Underwater Investigation Unit.
5. Transportation and support of the TEU Maritime Interdiction Unit.
6. Requests for assistance from the US Coast Guard, Transportation Safety Administration, Department of Natural Resources, Milwaukee Fire Department, and other maritime partner agencies.
7. Public education programs, instructing boater safety courses, displays and lectures.
8. Voluntary boat safety inspections.  
(WILEAG 6.1.2.1, 13.1.6.1, 13.1.6.2)

**B. REQUESTS FOR THE HARBOR PATROL**

1. All requests for the Harbor Patrol at planned events shall require the approval of the commander of the Specialized Patrol Division or designee.
2. Unplanned or unscheduled use of the Harbor Patrol shall be approved by the commander of the Specialized Patrol Division or designee, or higher authority.
3. The US Coast Guard is the agency that generally receives urgent marine requests. If Harbor Patrol units are made aware of a maritime emergency directly, officers are to notify the USCG. Crews should coordinate the Harbor Patrol response with the USCG Station watch stander.  
(WILEAG 6.1.2.1, 13.1.6.2)

**X. PATROL PROCEDURES**

- A. Officer assignments shall be made by the Harbor Patrol supervisor.

## B. BOAT PATROL

### 1. Area of Operations

- a. Harbor Patrol area of operations includes all rivers and navigable waters within city limits, and Lake Michigan from the shoreline to the Michigan State Line on the east, East Edgewood Avenue on the north, and approximately East Fernwood Avenue on the south.
- b. Harbor Patrol assets may respond to reports of life-threatening maritime emergencies outside city limits and within Milwaukee County, by request of the US Coast Guard or another municipality. Responding officers should secure permission from the Specialized Patrol Division shift commander or higher authority while en route or as soon as practicable.
- c. Officers are responsible for knowledge of the Harbor Patrol area of responsibility, including danger and shallow areas, bridge heights, water levels, and critical infrastructure locations. Officers shall be responsible for pertinent content of the US Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners (LNM) weekly publication.

### 2. Dates of the Boating Season

Dates of the boating season will be determined by the commander of the Specialized Patrol Division.

### 3. Travel to the Marina

Officers shall report for duty at the Specialized Patrol Division and utilize department vehicles to travel to **REDACTED** where boats are normally kept, unless otherwise instructed.

### 4. Weather

- a. The boat crew is responsible for checking the marine weather forecast and monitoring weather conditions throughout their shift.
- b. Patrols should not be initiated if dangerous weather or lake conditions exist and there is no reason to do so. Crews should consider riding with US Coast Guard personnel on their boats if it is necessary to get underway in heavy weather.
- c. SAR vests, at minimum, are the PFDs to be worn while working the boat deck in heavy weather. PLBs, flares, other survival equipment may be needed.

### 5. Dock and Walk

During each shift, boat crews should conduct a “dock and walk” foot patrol of areas immediately adjacent to the water, including businesses, docks, and port facilities.



## 6. Recording Activity

- a. Boat and equipment checks are to be completed and documented prior to getting underway, absent any emergency.
- b. Boat shift activity shall be recorded on the current version or variant of DNR form 8700-089 (“DNR daily”) and submitted to the Harbor Patrol supervisor immediately at the end of the members’ shift.
- c. Fuel receipts are to be submitted with the DNR daily.
- d. Search and rescue cases shall be recorded on the *Harbor Patrol – Search and Rescue Report* (form PH-6E) and stored electronically, filed along with CAD calls and related information.
- e. Boat incidents and accidents should be recorded on DNR form 4100-142 and submitted in printed form to the Harbor Patrol supervisor, along with any photos and related documentation. The Harbor Patrol supervisor will forward approved originals to the DNR Regional Safety Warden.
- f. The Harbor Patrol supervisor shall ensure activity documentation is transmitted to the DNR Regional Safety Warden as statutorily required within Wisconsin Administrative Code Chapter NR 50.

## C. EMERGENCY REQUESTS FOR THE HARBOR PATROL AFTER HOURS

Outside regular patrol hours, a Technical Communications Division supervisor shall notify the Harbor Patrol supervisor of a maritime emergency. The Harbor Patrol supervisor will call officers in as necessary. The 24-hour contact number for the Marine Operations Unit supervisor is **REDACTED**.

## D. MAINTENANCE ISSUES

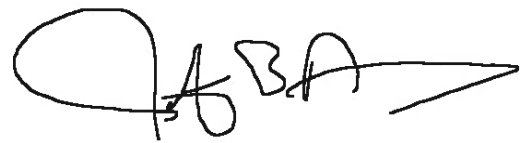
1. Officers shall conduct and document pre-mission checks of the boat, motors and equipment. The Harbor Patrol supervisor shall be notified immediately of any missing equipment, or any leak or malfunction that affects proper and safe operation. Non-critical findings shall be documented and brought to the attention of the Harbor Patrol supervisor when practical.
2. Each shift is responsible for maintaining boat cleanliness.

## E. UNAUTHORIZED RIDERS PROHIBITED

1. No unauthorized person may ride a Milwaukee Police Department boat. The Harbor Patrol supervisor shall determine who is authorized.
2. Persons requiring conveyance to safe harbor, prisoners, and persons undergoing field sobriety tests do not require prior authorization.

**XI. TOWING OF BOATS (WILEAG 6.1.2)**

- A. Routine, non-emergency tow requests shall be deferred to a commercial towing company whenever possible.
- B. Only officers trained in boat towing may engage in towing.
- C. Tow operations shall be conducted within best practices and the unit instruction textbook based on US Coast Guard procedures.
- D. Persons on vessels being towed shall wear personal flotation devices.  
(WILEAG 6.1.2.1)

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ACTING CHIEF OF POLICE

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