

Welcome

RIVERTOWNE marina

4601 Kellogg Ave.
Cincinnati, Ohio 45226

From the Bridge

A Message from the Captain

In like a lion out like a lamb...RTM Crew has successfully navigated another fierce winter this year. Thankfully flooding was not as bad this year as last, but the clean-up process starts again in earnest.

The Crew made some nice improvements to make it easier for our Live-Aboard to access their homes throughout the high water.



Addition of floating gangways from the



upper parking lot to the marina:

<-- Installation of Spud Poles to allow the Jenny Wade Concession Stand to float in place during high water.

Ask The Captain!

One of the questions I am often asked is: **Do I need a license to operate a boat on the Ohio River?**

THE ANSWER IS: it depends how old you are!

This year, Are you 37 years old or younger, and do you have a valid drivers license?

If you are older than 37, you are "Grand-Fathered-In" and are not required to have a license, but I would still recommend it!!!



Ohio Boater Qualifications

The Ohio Division of Parks and Watercraft imposes the following age restrictions when it comes to boating on OH waters.

If you are/were:

- Born after January 1, 1982 and want to operate ANY vessel with more than 10 HP, you must have a boating education certificate. (AKA, "a license")
- Younger than 12 years old, you CANNOT use personal watercraft (PWC), like jet skis and Sea-Doos, at any time.
 - Boaters under 12 years old CAN operate vessels with more than 10 HP as long as you're supervised by an adult who's at least 18 years old AND you hold a boating education certificate.
- At least 12 years old, you can drive boats with more than 10 HP WITHOUT supervision, as long as you have your boater education certificate.
- 12 to 15 years old you may drive PWC as long as you have a boat education certificate AND are accompanied by an adult who's at least 18 years old.
- At least 16 years old, you may operate personal watercraft WITHOUT adult supervision.

For our members who live in Kentucky, or for those who would like to argue the Ohio River is primarily the jurisdiction of our neighbors to the south, the rules are nearly identical:

Kentucky Boater Qualifications

In Kentucky, you must be at least 12 years old to operate a boat with 10 horsepower or more. If you are 12 to 17 years old, you must also have a boater education certificate.

Conveniently, you can fulfill your boater education requirement AND receive the necessary certificate through an approved online education provider. Be sure to carry the boater education card with you whenever you're operating a vessel. Call the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (800) 858-1549 for more information on boater education courses and requirements.

If you have a question you have always wanted an answer to, or you need our help settling a bet, **ASK THE CAPTAIN**, and we will try our best to find the answer for you. Be safe out there!

For those who secured a spot!

Summer is on its way!

Final Summer Season Payments for space are due by April 1st to avoid price increase or late charges. Please help us with this as timely payments are crucial for us to know how many open spaces we have.

Recent & Upcoming Events

Cincinnati Reds Opening Weekend

The Redlegs kick off their 2019 season on Thursday March 28th at 4:10 pm against the Pittsburgh Pirates. They play again on Saturday

the 30th at 2:10 pm for Kids Opening Day.

Reds Schedule: [Click Here](#)



Photo of the Month



Thanks, Dave J.!

Send your pictures to our Facebook Page to have a chance to be feature as our photo of the month!

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What are folks saying?

Dan W.

"Cheers to the Rivertowne crew that has been working feverishly and I'm sure long days to keep everyone's property safe. I was down there earlier today and they were working hard moving things to higher ground once

again for the roller coaster known as the Ohio River"

Thanks for the kind words, Dan!



D-I-Y Tip of the Month

Secrets to a Clean Boat

You know who loves cleaning their boat? No one. Ever. But if you enjoy being on a clean boat, these tips should help.



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