STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES
ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

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25 CAPITOL STREET, ROOM 234
CONCORD, NH 03301

Rulemaking Notice Form

Notice Number: 2026-182

Rule Number: Saf-C 6104.03

1. **Agency:** Department of Safety, Commissioner
   Agency Address: Department of Safety
   33 Hazen Drive
   Concord, NH 03305

2. **RSA Authority:** RSA 270-D:20

3. **Federal Authority:** N/A

4. **Action(s):** Readopt

5. **Short Title:** Boater Education Internet Course

6. **(a) Summary of what the rule says and of any proposed amendments including whether the rule implements a state statute for the first time:**

   The proposed rulemaking readopts as regular rules emergency rule Saf-C 6104.03, adopted on April 8, 2026. The rules subject to this proposal effectuate Chapter 216, Laws of 2025 (SB 40). The law became effective January 1, 2026, and amended RSA 270-D:13, I(a), to allow individuals 18 years of age or older to obtain a Safe Boater Education Certificate by passing a safe boater education course, successful completion of an online examination approved by NASBLA, and meeting the US boating education standards.

   Does this rule implement a state statute for the first time?

   Yes.

6. **(b) Brief description of the groups affected:**

The rules affect residents and nonresidents of New Hampshire seeking to obtain a boater education certificate required by RSA 270-D:10 before operating a motorized vessel with any type of power motor in excess of 25 horsepower on the public waters of the state; any vendor contracted with the State to provide boater education course an examination services; and the Department of Safety, Division of State Police, Marine Patrol.

6. **(c) Specific section or sections of state statute or federal statute or regulation which the rule is intended to implement:**

Rule	Specific State Statute the Rule Implements
Saf-C 6104.03	RSA 270-D:10, V; Chapter 216, Laws of 2025

7. **Contact person for copies and questions including requests to accommodate persons with disabilities:**

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8. **Deadline for submission of materials in writing or, if practicable for the agency, in the electronic format specified:**

Monday, October 19, 2026

X **Fax**
X **Email** Rules@dos.nh.gov
_ **Other**

9. **Public hearing scheduled for:**
Date: Friday, October 9, 2026
Time: 3:00 PM
Place: Department of Safety
Second Floor Conference Room
33 Hazen Drive
Concord, NH 03305

Electronic Access, if applicable: N/A

10. **Fiscal Impact Statement (Prepared by Legislative Budget Assistant):**

FIS #: 26-197, dated: Thursday, September 10, 2026

1. **Comparison of the costs of the proposed rule(s) to the existing rule(s):**

There is no difference in cost when comparing the proposed rules to the existing rules.

2. **Cite the Federal mandate. Identify the impact on state funds:**

No federal mandate, no impact on state funds.

3. **Cost and benefits of the proposed rule(s):**

A. To State general or State special funds:

None.

B. To State citizens and political subdivisions:

None.

C. To independently owned businesses:

None.

11. **Statement Relative to Part I, Article 28-a of the N.H. Constitution:**

This proposal does not create a new program or responsibility, and this proposal does not expand or modify an existing program or responsibility or mandate or assign a program or responsibility to any political subdivision in such a way as to increase the costs a political subdivision must pay. Therefore, this proposal does not violate Part I, Article 28-a of the N.H. Constitution.