

SAN JOAQUIN DELTA POWER SQUADRON'S

Jump Start Program

Under the guidelines of the United States Power Squadrons®

Designed for first time boaters or boaters who have recently upgraded to a larger or different type of boat and would like individualized instruction



**Program Designed for Large
or Small boats**

**This instruction is offered
by qualified instructors at**

**NO CHARGE
Fully Insured**



This fun and educational program is held in the Delta with your boat and teaches competent boat handling and safety in emergencies.

- **Class covers anchoring, radio procedures, first aid, life jacket safety, knots, and rules of the road on inland waterways and at sea, environmental responsibilities, signaling, and boat books**
- **Maneuvering and docking both open water and close quarters**
- **Hands-on personal training with an instructor ON YOUR BOAT**

**Please make sure you have current insurance and a current vessel safety check
Life vests must be worn at all times during on the water training**

Please make sure your boat is in good working order and your schedule is clear.

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I wanted to express my gratitude for being a part of the Jump Start Program under the guidelines of the United States Power Squadrons. This program has helped me as a new boater, not only economically, but it has given me the knowledge to become a safe boater. The program has given me confidence in knowing the rules of the road on the waterways, maneuvering and docking, first aid, and knots to mention a few. I received personal training that teaches competent handling in the event of an emergency. I recommend the Jump Start Program to any new boater.

Thank you, Nate Calaway, Stockton, Ca, Vessel - Silverton 41' Twin Engine

I am very grateful for the energy and hard work that is provided by the SJDPs and their fantastic Jump Start Program they offer to all boaters in our area. They are really just a phone call away from giving you help on learning about your boat and teaching you the art of boat safety. I have owned a boat for more than 40 years. Yet, all of my boats had been less than 27 feet and were all single screw drives. I now have a larger boat with twin screws and I was not comfortable with the skill set I have to maneuver this boat in tight areas. The individual training that was provided to me in a private lesson was absolutely amazing. The amount of knowledge that was provided in just a few hours on the water with my boat was amazing. I still have much to learn, however I have a great starting point now with my new stepping stones to becoming a more knowledgeable boater of my new TC34. I highly recommend this program to anyone new to boating or have a new boat that is different from any boat you had in the past or just need to brush up on his or her skills as a responsible boater. Thank you Billy J Cox, Folsom, CA.

Recently my wife Mary and I had the privilege of participating in training with the San Joaquin Delta Power Squadron. Our Instructor was extremely knowledgeable and professional. Although we had prior sailing experience, this was our first power boat and in a geographical area we were totally unfamiliar with.

Our instructor treated it as an on board classroom with practical hands on training using our own boat. We covered everything from basic seamanship to rules of the road, radio procedures, docking, boat handling, environmental regulations and safety equipment. In between, there were numerous opportunities to raise questions and get on the spot answers from an experienced captain, all the time knowing he was there for us in case of an emergency.

The program is jammed packed and compressed for those who buy a power boat without prior experience. Anyone in this kind of a situation would be foolish not to take advantage of it. The pace may not be for everyone but remember it is compressed training for those that want to get out on the water as soon as possible in a safe way. And it is tailored to meet individual needs so it can take longer for some. Either way SJDPs is there to assist us new boaters.

I want to thank the San Joaquin Delta Power Squadron for making this training possible with a special thanks to our instructor who provided us with the expert training that gave us the confidence to enjoy our new boat. Mike and Mary Kanalakis, Monterey CA

If you are looking for any help understanding how your boat works or tips on how to operate it you can't do better than the San Joaquin branch of the US Power Squadron. As a new boat owner, I can say that they have been extremely helpful in teaching me about my new boat, safety checks, helpful websites, and all-around instruction. I highly recommend them. Tim Hamill, Village West Marina

My wife and I had recently purchased a 30 ft boat, new to us, which was quite a bit larger than our current boat. Operating and managing this larger boat was a little intimidating and stressful. While we both attended the California Boaters course, we both realized that additional training would be necessary. We began searching for additional training and discovered that the San Joaquin Delta Power Squadron offered many different boat training opportunities, including the free "Jump Start Program".

Class enrollment for the Jump Start program with the San Joaquin Delta Power Squadron was a very simple process. The instructor that scheduled our class was also a certified safety examiner, so he was also able to schedule the courtesy vessel safety check which I had previously requested from and is offered by the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary. Our class and inspection were scheduled at our boat berth location which was very convenient for us and provided us with comfortable and familiar surroundings.

The instructor was very timely and began his instruction and inspection aboard our boat covering everything as advertised in the class, including but not limited to safety equipment, essential boat books (homework), knots, securing the boat to docks, radio procedures, hands-on boat operation, maneuvering and docking in both open water and close quarters.

Speaking for both my wife and I, the instructor was phenomenal bringing with him many years of experience, knowledge, patience and a passion to educate. This educational experience was by far the best. We were given a great deal of knowledge and feel much more comfortable and confident while operating our boats. We look forward to continuing our education and creating wonderful safe memories on the water.

Thank you, San Joaquin Delta Power Squadron, for providing this course. Sincerely, Rodney and Lorena Blankenship