

## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Existing law provides that no person born after Jan. 1, 1984, can operate a motorboat powered by a motor in excess of 10 horsepower unless he has successfully completed a boating safety class approved by the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators.

New law exempts from the boating safety class requirement a person 18 years of age or older if operating a motorboat rented from a livery, provided that the person receives instruction in proper and safe operation of the rented vessel and the latest Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries publication on boating rules, regulations, and safety and views a department-approved boating safety video.

New law requires that the rental contract specifies that the operator has received all materials and instruction required by new law and that operator is not under suspension or revocation of the privilege to operate a watercraft upon the waters of any state.

New law requires that the operator retains a copy of the rental contract at all times while operating the vessel.

New law requires that the livery retains a copy of the contract for 60 days after rental and makes rental records available for department inspection.

New law provides that authority to operate a rented motorboat under the exemption expires 48 hours after completing requirements of new law.

New law requires that Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries approves the safety video by January 1, 2023.

Effective January 1, 2023.

(Adds R.S. 34:851.36(B)(3))