Practicing Common Sense on the Water this Summer

As you go boating this summer, it’s important to remember some safety basics, which aren’t a hassle and won’t get in the way of your fun.

Here are four tips to remember, courtesy of the National Safety Council:

1. If you’re wondering whether wearing a life jacket is really necessary, know that 84% of U.S. boating deaths in 2017 involved boaters who weren’t wearing a life jacket. Bring a properly-fitted life jacket for everyone in the boat – big or small – and make wearing one a requirement for coming along.

2. Know the “rules of the road” for boating, meaning how to follow markers and how to interact with other boats when they’re nearby. And know the laws in the state where you’re boating.

3. Take the time to do a safety check of the boat before you head out, and be sure you bring a tool kit and a first aid kit.

4. Just like when you’re driving a car, drinking alcohol and driving a boat is a bad idea. If needed, have a designated driver, just as you would if you’re out on the town with friends.

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