Spring Water Safety

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Important Boat Safety Information

Before heading out on your boating adventure, it is important to check a few things. Always check the weather for clear conditions and ensure your safety equipment is in good, working order in the event of an emergency. You can colour the sailboat image below. See the following page for a list of 5 boat safety tips.

Additional boat safety resources:

The Lifesaving Society and Red Cross have a variety of water safety resources for every season.

Please click on the links below to obtain more boat safety information:

- Boat Rescue
- Boating and Lifejackets
- Alcohol and Boating
- Boating Regulations and Safety Tips
- Canadian Red Cross Boat Safety Information
5 BOAT SAFETY TIPS

Gather and inspect all safety equipment to ensure it's in good, working order.

Check the weather to confirm the daily forecast.

Always ensure you have enough gas for your trip. This means having enough to make it to your destination and back.

Follow all boating regulations while on the water and always bring your boating license with you.

Never operate a boat while under the influence of alcohol or any other mind altering substance.
Activity: Make your own ship

Materials:

- Dry, uncooked rice
- 500 ML Pop bottle
- Funnel (or paper rolled into funnel shape)
- Dowels (or pencils and sticks)
- Scissors or single-hole puncher
- Coloured foam sheets, construction paper or any type of paper
- Markers, crayons, stickers
- Large container (e.g. tupperware) filled with water

Instructions:

1. Remove bottle wrapping.
2. Clean and dry your bottle.
3. Fill your bottle using the funnel 1/4 of the way with dry uncooked rice.
4. Place the lid back on the bottle.
5. Place the bottle on its side. The rice will act as a weight to keep the bottle steady.
6. Using scissors, carefully poke 1 to 2 holes for your dowels (masts).
7. Push your dowel all the way down and through the rice until it hits the other side of the bottle.
8. Cut foam sheets or paper into squares. You can cut and decorate as many 10x10 squares as you want. These will be used as your sails.
9. Slightly fold sheet in half to pinch 2 opposite edges of the square together.
10. Approximately 1 centimetre from the edge of your pinched square, use scissors, a single-hole puncher or a sharp pencil to poke holes through both edges.
11. Feed the dowels through the holes in your squares, ensuring they create a curve. You can place as many sails as you wish onto each dowel.
12. Place your boat in a container filled with water to watch it float.

Homemade boat: side view

Homemade boat: front view
Activity: Find the words listed below that relate to boat safety.

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List Of Words

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Lifejacket Buoy Anchor
Water Gas Docking
Oar Sunscreen Raincoat
Motor Emergency kit Weather

RIVER AND STREAM SAFETY TIPS

- Obey warning and danger signs
- Check your fence for holes and gaps
- Always stay on marked trails and paths
- Do not walk, climb or play on downed trees and logs
- Do not cross through a river or stream
Backyard Pool Safety

Before opening your pool, make sure you have all of the equipment to be safe and have fun. Remember to always swim with a buddy. Below is a picture outlining the ideal backyard pool set up, complete with safety and rescue equipment. See the following page for a list of 5 backyard pool safety tips.

Additional pool safety resources:

Please click on the links below to obtain more backyard pool safety information.

Backyard pool water safety
Pools and fences
Backyard pool supervision
Safety guidelines and checklist
5 BACKYARD POOL SAFETY TIPS

Make sure your gate has a secure latch that locks

Check your fence for holes and gaps

Ensure pool signs are clear and visible

Have all rescue and safety equipment in good condition

Always have a designated adult supervising the pool area and within arm’s reach.
Activity: Backyard pool safety knowledge check

Check off the following items that you need before opening your pool. You can also draw or decorate these items.

- Gate

- Gate with lock

- Fence

- Picket Fence

- Wide Rail Fence

- Signs

- Sign: No diving

- Sign: Shallow water

- Sign: Do not enter

- Rescue equipment

- Reaching pole

- Ring buoy

- Whistle

- First aid kit
Safety equipment

- Lifejacket
- Emergency numbers
- Ladder
- Buoy line