

(B) (1) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL:

(I) ADOPT REGULATIONS THAT ESTABLISH CRITERIA FOR A COURSE OF INSTRUCTION IN BOATING SAFETY PURSUANT TO STANDARDS OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE BOATING LAW ADMINISTRATORS EDUCATION; AND

(II) ADMINISTER A VERBAL TEST UNDER WHEN APPROPRIATE CIRCUMSTANCES; AND;

(III) COORDINATE A STATEWIDE PROGRAM OF BOATING SAFETY INSTRUCTION AND CERTIFICATION AND INSURE ENSURE THAT A COURSE OF BOATING SAFETY EDUCATION IS AVAILABLE WITHIN EACH COUNTY; AND

(IV) ENSURE THAT A COURSE OF BOATING SAFETY EDUCATION IS AVAILABLE AT THE EARLIEST PRACTICABLE AGE FOR CHILDREN IN BOATING COMMUNITIES.

(2) ANY COURSE OF BOATING SAFETY EDUCATION THAT IS OFFERED THROUGH A PUBLIC SCHOOL IS NOT REQUIRED TO BE MORE THAN 6 CLASSES, OR EXCEED A TOTAL OF 8 HOURS.

(3) THE FOLLOWING PERSONS MAY OFFER THE COURSE OF INSTRUCTION IN BOATING SAFETY EDUCATION IF APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT:

(I) THE DEPARTMENT;

(II) THE U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY;

(III) THE U.S. POWER SQUADRON;

(IV) A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION;

(V) A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION;

(VI) AN AGENCY;

(VII) A PUBLIC OR NONPUBLIC SCHOOL;

(VIII) A GROUP;

(IX) A FIRM;

(X) AN ASSOCIATION; AND OR

(XI) ANY OTHER PERSON.

(C) (1) THE DEPARTMENT OR ITS DESIGNATED ENTITY DESIGNEE SHALL ISSUE A CERTIFICATE OF BOATING SAFETY EDUCATION TO A PERSON WHO: