

MEMORANDUM

Date: December 10, 2018

To: FAU Boating and Diving Researchers

From: Dr. Dale Gawlik
Chair, Diving and Boating Safety Committee
Director, Environmental Science Program, & Professor, Department of Biological Sciences

Re: Training requirements for operation of non-motorized canoes, kayaks, and paddleboards

The Florida Atlantic University (FAU) Diving and Boating Safety Committee (DBSC) is authorized by, and delegated authority by, the FAU Vice President for Research. The principal purpose of the DBSC is to promulgate and administer university policies and procedures with regard to the safety of all scientific diving and boating activities at FAU.

The DBSC wishes to share guidance regarding the training requirements for operation of non-motorized canoes, kayaks, and paddleboards.

Anyone seeking approval to operate or be a passenger in a non-motorized canoe, kayak, or paddleboard under the auspices of FAU must (1) complete the online training in Canvas provided by FAU's Environmental Health and Safety Department free of charge and (2) demonstrate basic operation proficiency as determined by the Diving and Boating Safety Officer (DBSO) or designee. Principal Investigators or other seeking to be considered a designee for determining proficiency should contact the DBSO.