

## **USPS Sea School November 1 & 2, 2014**

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Again this year Sea Scouts and Power Squadrons are teaming to provide a weekend of Boat Operator's training to Sea Scout Leaders at Lakewood Yacht Club and neighboring waters.

### Available classroom Seminars:

Using VHF and VHF/DSC Radio  
How to Use a Chart  
Fuel and Boating  
Anchoring  
Marine Radar  
Knots, Bends and Hitches  
Basic Coastal Navigation  
Basic Weather and Forecasting

Boat Handling Under Power  
Advanced Powerboat Handling  
Boating on Rivers, Locks and Lakes  
Paddle Smart  
Trailing Your Boat  
Using GPS  
Emergencies on Board  
Use of Fire Extinguishers - a skill event

### On the Water Activities:

OTW Power Boat Operation – Introduction to Power Boat Operation.

OTW Chase Boat Operation – Use of a Chase boat to fulfill Safety Afloat requirements. NEW!!!

OTW Piloting Skills Practice – Use Piloting Skills to locate yourself and sail to a waypoint.  
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OTW Basic Powerboat Handling, IN – Boat Operator Certification Program. (USPS Members).

### Registration:

Register for the event at [WWW.USPSHOUSTON.ORG/](http://WWW.USPSHOUSTON.ORG/) and follow the directions on that page.  
Payment is via PayPal, as it was last year.

Tuition and Lunches - \$87.50

### Accommodations:

Attendees will need to make their own arrangements. A special rate of \$208.26 for the weekend has been negotiated with the Seabrook La Quinta. Rooms are double occupancy – so, bring a friend and share the cost. Breakfast is included. The appropriate access code is something like “US Power Squadron – Sea School”.

La Quinta – Seabrook, Texas  
281-326-7300  
Contact - Sherice

Reservations should be for Friday night, October 31 and Saturday night, November 1. Sunday everyone goes home.

### Meals:

Breakfast – on your own. I'll be at LaQuinta eating the waffles (like I need more of them!)

Lunch – provided by the program. Soup, Sandwiches and other neat stuff (the Galveston Bay Squadron is taking the lead in this, it ought to be great!!).

Saturday Dinner – Dinner is on your own, with your friends or other Scouters.

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This year's program will be guided by the USPS Inland Navigator program; this program conforms to the needs of Sea Scout Leaders, and provides a well-rounded education in boating. By itself, this event is not sufficient for any certification. Adults interested in earning this certification should contact their local squadron for more information.

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