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It had been our hope earlier in the year to make this information available to you sometime early in the summer but delays by states responding to BoatEd and some technical glitches had delayed our release of this information until now.

As announced at NACON in Costa Mesa, you can now download from the web a modification to Chapter 5 of the ABC book, *The Legal Requirements of Boating*, so that the information will comply with the state in which you live or in which you are teaching. For example, for my fellow members here in the Florida Panhandle, we often have students from both Florida and Alabama in our classes. So, locally we'll print out the information for both states. Members in many areas confront similar circumstances and will find this a useful resource.

Here's what you'll be able to do: Go to the following URL on the Web

<http://www.boat-ed.com/abc/instructors/>

This will take you to a map where you can click on your state. If the information for your state is available, clicking on the state will bring up a PDF document that incorporates your local information.

How you use the information is really your option. You can print out a single copy of the material and simply use it as a teaching resource, pointing out to your students the items in the ABC textbook that are at variance with state law. Alternatively, if you have the resources to do so, you could photocopy the custom chapter and distribute it to all your students. Either way, you'll find this an excellent resource to assist you in meeting mandated inclusion of state-specific materials in all our NASBLA-approved courses. Even when teaching BS&S, you'll find this customized information helpful as well.

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