Port Captains

A **Port Captain** is a member of the United States Power Squadrons®, who stands ready, at all times of his or her choosing, to provide advice and assistance to USPS® members, and if the Port Captain chooses, to others making contact.

The **Port Captain** can recommend mechanics, sail makers, and repair yards in the area as well as medical and dental facilities in his or her locale. the Port Captain can also direct weary sailors and boaters to local restaurants and motels.

The **Port Captain** is familiar with the activities of local USPS® squadrons, the U.S. Coast Guard and the Coast Guard Auxiliary.

While **Port Captains** are under no obligation to provide more than friendly advice, they are persons who enjoy meeting people and serving their fellow boaters.

Still, their primary expertise lies in their knowledge of local waters and unmarked hazards to safe navigation. The objective is to provide information, reliable advice and comradeship. Their aim is make fellow members feel they are welcome and have found a friend.

It is inevitable that word of the program will circulate through the boating public....Port Captains are to project the image of being part of a fraternal organization devoted to boating safety. Persons interested in USPS® or the public Boating Course (SM) will be referred to their nearest Squadron Commander or Squadron Educational Officer.

Knowledge, seamanship, service to others, friendship and fraternity -- this has been the essence of the United States Power Squadrons® since 1913.

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Please refer to the <u>FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS</u> page if you need more information about the Port Captains program.

The Port Captain's Directory is available to USPS members via the following link:

USPS Member Port Captain's Directory