



## **THE SQUADRON BOATING COURSE – PLOTTING TOOL Instructor Information 02 February 2006**

Effective Immediately, USPS has standardized on the use of the 4 x 15 plotter. The 8 x 10 plotter is out of inventory and will not be replaced.

This step smoothes the transition between our Squadron Boating Course and our Piloting course which uses the 4 x 15 plotter. Studies conducted found that the 4 x 15 is more versatile and actually easier for most to use.

This represents a deviation from the text of Section 7 in the Squadron Boating Course Student Manual. To assist you and your students, the following is available on the Boating Course web page:

- 1) Replacement Section 7 text in a pdf file – If you feel that students need this text, please duplicate this file and distribute.
- 2) An animated PowerPoint presentation that instructors can use to easily demonstrate the use of the 4 x 15 plotter.

We recognize that this change may cause some temporary disruption to the instructional teams for the Squadron Boating Course, but the use of a standardized plotter will benefit students in the long run.

We will continue to enhance the Squadron Boating Course supporting tools and presentation material to keep the course current and the best public boating course available.

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