

Sharing the Seas: Safe Boating for Sailors and Whales

See a Spout, Watch Out!



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Safe boating practices:

Maintain a safe distance for their safety and yours
100ft. approach limit for all marine mammal species
By US law, you must stay 1,500ft. away from N. Atlantic right whales
Reduce your speed and post a lookout

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Alert authorities to important sightings:

For right whale sightings and/or dead, entangled, ship struck
or injured marine mammals and sea turtles, call **1-866-755-NOAA**
or call **US Coast Guard on Ch.16.**

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Important information:

Understanding protected species and their behavior is important for
your safety. Learn more at www.seeaspout.org/sail

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Limit litter:

Marine debris kills thousands of marine animals each year
and enters the human food chain. It also causes millions
of dollars of damage to vessels and coastal economies through
warped propellers, fouled engines, and decreased tourism.
Prevention is vital: do not let your trash go overboard.



**Sailors can help to save protected species
through safe boating and sightings reports.**