2020 Marine Patrol Schedule

Gate Monitoring
May 16th & 17th: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm
May 23rd - September 13th: 10:00 am – 8:00 pm
Weekends Only: September 19th - October 11th: 10:00 am-8:00 pm

Boat Patrol:
Dates: May 23rd - September 13th
Weekends: 11:00 am - 9:00 pm
Weekdays: 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Documents Needed by Boat Owner to Launch

- **Boating License**
  - Boating license is required for the owner of the boat and anyone expected to be operating the vessel
  - **BOATING LICENSE NEEDS TO BE PRESENT EVERY TIME BOAT IS LAUNCHED**

- **Boating Registration**
  - All boats must have a current State of Connecticut Registration

- **Proof of Residency**

Procedures for Safety Inspections

- **Working lights on the boat**
- **Working horn - whistle or other loud noise maker is allowed if no horn**
- **Throwable – if boat is 16 feet or longer**
- **Personal Flotation Devices**
  - There need to be enough PFD’s on board for the number of passengers on the vessel.
  - Life jackets need to be worn by everyone until June 1st
- **Fire Extinguisher**

Procedures for Invasive Species Inspection

- **Boat and trailer will be inspected for any debris or standing water**
- **Boat and trailer will be inspected for the presence of invasive species**
- **Where and when boat was last launched and what cleaning procedures were completed after**
- **An Invasive Special Inspection WILL BE CONDUCTED EVERY TIME BOAT IS LAUNCHED**

Upon the boater presenting the required documentation and successful completion of the Safety Inspection and Invasive Species Inspection, the boat owner will be presented with a Town of Columbia Registration sticker to be placed on the boat. **Future visits will not require a safety inspection and for boating registration to be checked, as-long-as the current 2020 TOC sticker is present on the vessel. Invasive Species Inspections will be completed prior to every boat launch.**