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Required Equipment: Powerboats (including electric motors)		PWCs less than 16'	Less than 16' in length (Class A)	16' but less than 26' in length (Class 1)
TITLE Does NOT have to be carried onboard the boat; should be kept in a safe place with other important papers. ORC 1548.03			 1	
REGISTRATION & NUMBERS ORC 1547.53				
PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES ORC 1547.25	One type I, II, III or V wearable device for each person on board.	 8	 2	 2
	One Type IV throwable device as an extra.			
FIRE EXTINGUISHER(S) ORC 1547.27	One type B-1		 3	 3
VISUAL DISTRESS SIGNALS ORC 1547.251	On Lake Erie a USCG approved signal for both day and night use			
	On Lake Erie (sunset to sunrise) a USCG approved signal for night use	9		
	On waters other than Lake Erie a distress flag or USCG approved signal for day use			
SOUND SIGNALING DEVICES OAC 1501:47-2-33	On *federal waters and inland waters a power whistle or horn and a			

	bell			
	On *federal waters a whistle, horn or other device			
	On inland waters a whistle, horn or other device			
ANCHOR AND LINE ORC 1547.26 & OAC 1501:47-1-11				
LIGHTS OAC 1501:47-2	Running lights as prescribed by federal and state law	9		
	Anchor light	9		
VENTILATION Engine and fuel tank compartments ORC 1547.29				
BACKFIRE FLAME ARRESTOR Inboard engines ORC 1547.28				
MUFFLING DEVICE or underwater exhaust ORC 1547.31				
ENGINE CUTOFF SWITCH LANYARD ORC 1547.41				

1. A title is not required for any vessel less than 14 feet in length EXCEPT: effective January 1, 2000, vessels less than 14 feet in length with a permanently affixed mechanical means of propulsion of 10 HP or more will need a title.
2. On vessels less than 18 feet in length, any child less than 10 years of age must wear a properly fitted type I, II or III flotation device at all times.
3. Exception for vessels propelled by an electric motor and vessels less than 26 feet in length designed for use with an outboard motor, of "open construction".
4. Applies to any vessel of 12 meters (39.4 feet) or more in length.
5. Applies to any vessel less than 12 meters (39.4 feet) in length.
6. Exception for any vessel less than 14 feet in length, any canoe, and any sailboat less than 21 feet in length.
7. Some varieties of personal watercraft may be exempted by the U.S. Coast Guard. Consult your watercraft dealer or the manufacturer to verify requirements for these devices.
8. Every person on board a personal watercraft must wear a properly fitted Type I, II, III or V flotation device.
9. Prohibited from operating between sunset and sunrise.

*Federal waters in Ohio include Lake Erie and connecting bays and harbors on the Ohio River and the Muskingum River.