



Kayak • Canoe Paddleboard Rentals



Canoe

E1 - E5 \$25/per day
All Others \$30/per day

Kayak

E1 - E5 \$12/per day
All Others \$15/per day

Tandem Kayak

E1 - E5 \$15/per day
All Others \$20/per day

Paddle Board

E1 - E5 \$8/per half day (8 - 11 am or 12 - 3 pm)
All Others \$10/per half day (8 - 11 am or 12 - 3 pm)

To reserve contact the West Basin Marina at 301-342-3573
Monday - Saturday: 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. | Sunday: 12 - 4 p.m.

Keys and equipment need to be returned to the West Basin
Marina by 3 p.m. on the day of your rental.

No Night Rentals

West Basin Marina

Canoeing/Kayaking Safety

Paddling America's waterways can be relaxing, rejuvenating, even exhilarating. But it also comes with responsibility for you and your paddling partners. Canoes are a popular open water craft that are used on all kinds of water. Kayaks are usually decked except for an opening for the paddlers. Both canoes and kayaks have less stability than other small craft. The key to safety for canoeing or kayaking is to have proper training in their use, safety, and rescue.

- Wear USCG - approved life jackets-most boating/paddling fatalities could have been prevented if life jackets had been worn.
- Know weather conditions and take appropriate precautions - storms, lighting, high winds and sudden temperature changes can cause disasters.
- Know the water temperature and the effects of cold water immersion.
- Get information on waters where you will be canoeing or kayaking and take appropriate precautions - dam controlled water levels of lakes and rivers, tides, currents, recent rain, spring thawing, low head dams and other hazards need to be known in advance.
- Know and abide by the rules of the road - collisions with other boats or objects are often due to ignorance of boating rules of the road.
- Wear appropriate clothing - choose clothing based on water temperature. On cold water, wear wet/dry suit that preserves body heat in case of sudden immersion. Practice assisted and self-rescues.
- Know and meet legal requirements for where you are canoeing or kayaking - check with state/local boating authorities.
- Stay with your craft if you unintentionally fall out of your canoe or kayak - they float.
- Have an emergency action plan - in case something does happen know what you are going to do and how to obtain emergency assistance.

Paddler's Safety Checklist

- Assess the risk - check the weather. Be realistic about what can go wrong and be prepared.
- File a float plan - write down where you intend to put in, take out, when you expect to return, and who to call if you don't. Give it to someone who WILL call for assistance if you don't return on time.
- Wear a life jacket and keep it snug - for it to work effectively, it must fit.
- Assess your boat's flotation needs - for flotation bags to work effectively they must fit snugly into the craft and be securely tied into place.
- Always dress for an unexpected capsize - wear a wet suit or dry suit on cold water. Test your gear in the water (walk in/out with spotter). Carry spare dry clothes.
- Wear a Hat or Helmet - helmets are necessary where upsets are likely (white water or surfing in canoes/kayaks). A hat protects from the sun.
- Charts and Compass or Map of the River - know where you are and how to get out in an emergency
- Proper Footwear
- UV Eye Protection - choose a good pair of sunglasses and a strap