



# LAWS OF ALASKA

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**Chapter No.**

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**AN ACT**

Relating to boating safety, registration, and numbering; extending the sunset date of changes in ch. 28, SLA 2000; and providing for an effective date.

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**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

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2 in ch. 28, SLA 2000; and providing for an effective date.

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4 \* **Section 1.** AS 05.25.055(a) is amended to read:

5 (a) An undocumented boat placed on water of the state must be registered and  
6 numbered as required by this chapter. The Department of Administration shall adopt  
7 by regulation a boat registration and numbering system that

8 [(1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION,] is  
9 consistent with the national standard for state numbering systems established by the  
10 United States Coast Guard [; AND

11 (2) USES A SIZE-APPROPRIATE DECAL FOR A BOAT THAT IS  
12 NOT EQUIPPED WITH MECHANICAL PROPULSION, THAT IS EXCLUSIVELY  
13 PADDLED, POLED, ROWED, OR POWERED BY WIND, AND THAT IS 10 FEET  
14 OR GREATER IN LENGTH].

1 \* **Sec. 2.** AS 05.25.055(i) is amended to read:

2 (i) The following boats are exempt from the numbering and registration  
3 provisions of this section:

4 (1) a boat that is operated in this state for a period not exceeding 90  
5 consecutive days and that has a current, valid certificate of number issued by another  
6 state having a federally approved numbering system;

7 (2) a foreign boat operated in water of the state for a period not  
8 exceeding 90 consecutive days;

9 (3) a boat owned by the United States or an entity or political  
10 subdivision of the United States, or a boat owned by a state or an entity or political  
11 subdivision of a state;

12 (4) a boat that is not equipped with mechanical propulsion [, THAT IS  
13 EXCLUSIVELY PADDLED, POLED, ROWED, OR POWERED BY WIND, AND  
14 THAT IS

15 (A) UNDER 10 FEET IN LENGTH; OR

16 (B) OPERATED IN THIS STATE FOR A PERIOD NOT  
17 EXCEEDING 30 DAYS IN A CALENDAR YEAR BY A PERSON WHO  
18 HAS NOT ESTABLISHED RESIDENCY AS DESCRIBED UNDER  
19 AS 01.10.055];

20 (5) a boat with a valid document to operate the boat that is issued by  
21 the United States or a foreign government;

22 **(6) a handmade nonmotorized umiaq with a walrus or sealskin**  
23 **covering.**

24 \* **Sec. 3.** Section 30, ch. 28, SLA 2000, is amended to read:

25 Sec. 30. Sections 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 14, 16, 18, 20, 23, 26, and 27 of this Act take  
26 effect on the earlier of the following dates:

27 (1) July 1, **2010** [2005]; or

28 (2) 90 days after the date the chair of the Alaska Legislative Council  
29 notifies the revisor of statutes that in the previous state fiscal year the state did not  
30 receive and does not anticipate receiving federal funding for a statewide boating and  
31 safety education program; the director of the division of legislative finance shall notify

1           the chair of the Alaska Legislative Council when the state, in the previous fiscal year,  
2           did not receive federal funding for a statewide boating and safety program; the chair of  
3           the Alaska Legislative Council may not give the notice described in this paragraph  
4           unless the notice is approved by a vote of a majority of the members of the Alaska  
5           Legislative Council.

6           \* **Sec. 4.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).