

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- **If I received a Boating Citation, What do I do?** To satisfy this citation, please carefully review the options available in this guide.
- **How long do I have to satisfy my citation?** You have thirty (30) days to pay your citation. Failure to notify the clerk of one of the options listed in this guide within thirty (30) days from the date the citation was issued, will result in a \$20 penalty and a hearing date will be set before a Judge.
- **Can I get an extension of time to pay?** No extension of time is given to pay. Payments are expected within thirty (30) days from the date the citation was issued.
- **If I disagree with the charge(s), may I request to see the judge?** Yes, see **Option 2** for further instructions.
- **Will this citation affect my driver license?** No, this citation will not affect your driver license and no points will be applied against your license.

MANDATORY EDUCATION FOR VIOLATORS

Florida State Statute section 327.731 requires that anyone convicted of the following boating violations (see below) will be mandated to complete a boating safety course.

- Any non-criminal boating infraction resulting in a boating accident.
- Any two boating safety infractions listed below within a 12 month period:
 - Careless operation
 - Water skiing, aquaplaning, or similar activities
 - Interference with navigation
 - Speed or restricted zone violations
 - Safety equipment violations
 - Navigation rule violations
 - Personal watercraft violations
 - Boater safety education violations
 - Overloaded or overpowered vessels
 - Diver down flag violation
 - Adequate muffler on airboat
 - Display of flag on airboat
 - Seagrass scarring

Note: The FWC may provide a waiver of the attendance requirement for violator's residing where a classroom course is not available.

**Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission
Boating Safety Section
620 South Meridian St
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1600
(850) 488-5600**

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you were cited with a violation(s) listed below, you may be eligible for a clerk's dismissal if proof of compliance was valid before the date of the citation.

327.395 (1)	Proof of Boating I.D.
328.72 (13)	Proof of Vessel Registration
379.354	Hunting/Fishing License Violation

Provide a copy of the valid item(s) with a copy of your citation, and **\$10.00** dismissal fee to: The Miami-Dade County, Clerk of Court, 1351 NW 12th Street, #8100, Miami, FL 33125. If document was not valid before the citation was issued, you must pay the full amount of the citation.

If the citation is not in the system and you are unable to process your payment by phone, you are still responsible to satisfy the citation within 30 days of the issue date either by mail or in person:

You can view future hearing dates online 24 hours a day/7 days a week. Please use the court case number and visit:
www.miami-dadeclerk.com

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990 ADA NOTICE

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Eleventh Judicial Circuit Court's ADA Coordinator, Lawson E. Thomas Courthouse Center, 175 N.W. 1st Ave., Suite 2702, Miami, Florida, 33128, Telephone (305) 349-7175; TDD (305) 349-7174, Fax (305) 349-7355, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Miami-Dade County Boating Mailer



INSTRUCTIONS

Failure to notify the clerk of one of the options listed in this guide within thirty (30) days from the date the citation was issued will result in a \$20 late penalty and a hearing date will be set before a Judge.

WARNING NOTICE

Pursuant to F.S. (327.73), Any person who fails to appear or otherwise properly respond to a uniform boating citation shall in addition to the charge relating to the violation of the boating laws of this state, be charged with the offense of failing to respond to such citation and, upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree.

In order to avoid delays and long lines at the court-house, please dial (305) 275-1155

The phone lines are available Monday - Friday/9:00-12:00p.m. Please wait 15 days from the date you receive the citation before selecting the above services.

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SEND PAYMENT AND/OR CORRESPONDENCE

**TO: MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
CLERK OF COURTS
1351 NW 12th St, Room 8100
MIAMI, FL 33101-9321**

DEPUTY CLERKS ARE AVAILABLE TO ASSIST YOU FROM 9:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M. MONDAY-FRIDAY, AT ANY OF THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

North Dade Justice Center 15555 Biscayne Blvd., #100	Martin Luther King 2525 N.W. 62nd St., #1200A
Coral Gables 3100 Ponce de Leon	Miami Beach 1130 Washington Ave, #200
Sweetwater 500 S.W. 109th Avenue	South Dade Justice Center 10710 S.W. 211th St, #1500
Richard E. Gerstein Justice Building 1351 N.W.12th Street, #8100	Hialeah 11 East 6th Street

