

Boating Safety Tips From ODNR, Division of Water Craft

## Planning a Safe Trip on the Cuyahoga River Water Trail

- Always wear a personal flotation device
- Be prepared to swim
- Dress properly and bring an extra change of clothing with you in a waterproof bag

- Never mix alcohol or drugs with boating
- Know your abilities
- Should an immersion occur, try to get out of the water as quickly as possible
- Carry a rescue throw bag with sufficient line
- Watch for river hazards
- Always stay within the limit of the boat's maximum carrying capacity
- File a "float plan" with a reliable person indicating where you are going and when you will leave and return

## Have Fun and Stay Safe!