

# S P L A S H

March 2022

## Coming soon – Online Swim Transition Instructor Clinic

Red Cross Water Safety Instructors will soon be able to transition to the Lifesaving Society's Swim for Life Instructor certification by completing the Society's official online Swim Transition Instructor Clinic – approved by the Lifesaving Society Canada and endorsed by the Canadian Red Cross (CRC).

The self-directed Swim Transition Instructor Clinic provides an orientation to the Society's Swim for Life program. It is designed exclusively for CRC Water Safety Instructors who want to take advantage of the opportunity to transition to Lifesaving Society's Swim for Life Instructor certification.

Completing this online clinic is one of two required steps to become a certified Lifesaving Society Swim for Life Instructor. The other step is to ensure the Lifesaving Society has your CRC Water Safety qualifications. If you have not already done so, [log in to your My Red Cross account](#) to initiate this transfer.

Follow the Lifesaving Society New Brunswick on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) and regularly check our [home page](#). We'll post when the clinic is available.

## AGM – Change of date and venue

The 55th Annual General Meeting of the Lifesaving Society New Brunswick will be held by videoconference Saturday, April 30, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. All meeting-related documents as well as the 2021 Annual Report will be posted on the Society's homepage.

Members and friends of the Society including instructors, examiners, trainers and affiliate representatives are cordially invited to attend.

[Register online now](#) or email the Society's Member Services Manager, [Sarah Hebb](#) to be added to the invitation list.

## Become a loyalty program member

Affiliates – join the Lifesaving Society New Brunswick's loyalty rewards program to lock in your annual swim license fee at current pricing and receive a credit note valued at 10% of eligible annual purchases from the Lifesaving Society.

To join:

- sign a 5-year Swim for Life license agreement, and
- exclusively offer the Lifesaving Society's Swim for Life, Swim Patrol, Bronze Medal awards, National Lifeguard, First Aid and related leadership programs

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Affiliates need not offer all Society training programs, but must not offer any competing programs at their facilities.

The credit note can be applied against the purchase of all Lifesaving Society programs, products and services including LifeguardDepot.com merchandise.

For more details or to enroll in the loyalty rewards program contact the Society's Program Manager, [Grégoire Cormier](#).

## Transitioning from Red Cross programming?

We have a special process for Red Cross seasonal water safety training partners who are transitioning to the Lifesaving Society programs this summer. Email [Grégoire Cormier](#) or call 506-455-5762. Together, we'll walk through the steps for a smooth and successful transition that works best for you.

The Lifesaving Society acknowledges and thanks the Government of New Brunswick for its ongoing support of our drowning prevention mission.

## FAQs for First Aid Instructors

As First Aid Instructors, it's important to periodically check in with the Society's most recent policies and procedures for the delivery of first aid programs. Before you teach your next course, download and read your free copy of the Society's [Program Guide](#) from our website to make sure you're up to speed.

To get you started, here are some frequently asked questions:

**Can I teach first aid online?** No. At this time, all Society first aid courses including Emergency First Aid, Standard First Aid, CPR, Airway Management, HCP-CPR must be conducted 100% in-person. Blended or online delivery is not yet permitted.

**Where can a first aid course be taught?** First aid courses can be taught anywhere that has adequate practice and evaluation space that is safe and conducive to good learning – no water required.

**Can a course have multiple instructors?** Yes, but all instructors on the course must be certified and current. Subcontracting portions of the course to expired or non-certified individuals is not permitted. Be sure to include information for all instructors on the test sheet when you submit it.

**Can first aid course hours be shortened?** No. All information about the required course length for the Society's first aid courses can be found in Section 8 of the *Program Guide*. To highlight:

Emergency First Aid with CPR-B course	8 hours
Workplace Standard First Aid with CPR-C course	16 hours
CPR – Health Care Provider (CPR-HCP)	6 – 8 hours

**How does the Society handle complaints about an instructor?** The Lifesaving Society investigates all complaints of a serious nature and allegations of misconduct against Lifesaving Society award holders who fail to follow Lifesaving Society policy and procedure. The result may be a caution, a suspension, or in egregious cases, revocation of certification.



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## Boating fatalities in Canada

The Drowning Prevention Research Centre Canada (DPRC) is leading a research project for Transport Canada's Boating Safety Contribution Program titled: *Online mapping of drowning incidents in recreational boating across Canada*.

The first part is complete and provides a written report on recreational boating-related fatalities in Canada (2008–2017) using data from the DPRC drowning database. The report is available in [English](#) and [French](#).

The report significantly contributes to our knowledge about recreational boating-related injuries and will assist local communities, governments and law enforcement in the development of targeted initiatives to reduce boating fatalities.

The second part will be released later this year and includes the creation of an online map that displays the corresponding data found in the report.

The next phase of the project begins in Spring 2022 and will continue over a two-year period.



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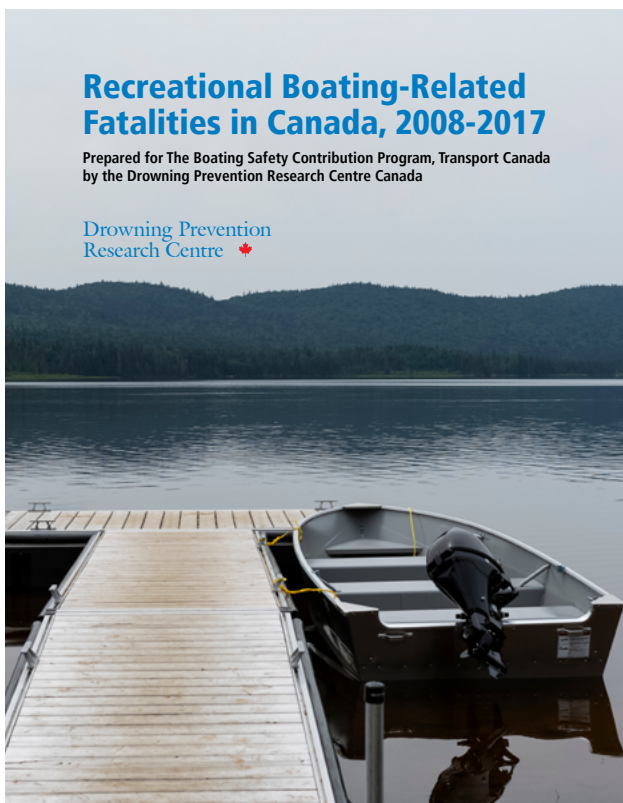
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The Lifesaving Society is a national, volunteer organization and registered charity working to prevent drowning and water-related injury. Annually, over 1,000,000 Canadians participate in the Society's swimming, lifesaving, lifeguard and leadership training programs. The Society sets the standard for aquatic safety in Canada and certifies Canada's National Lifeguards.