Kids MUST Wear Life Vests

North Carolina law requires children younger than 13 years of age to wear an appropriate life vest whenever they are on a recreational vessel that is underway. When choosing a life vest for a child, always check for a U.S. Coast Guard approved label.

The life vest must be a proper fit, with youth sizes corresponding to weight ranges.

For more information about boating safety or to enroll in a free boating education course, go to www.ncwildlife.org.









