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Continuing Education Course Outline

Title of Course: Emergency Management at Sea

Date of Course: Saturday, March 15, 2014 - 9:00am to 5:30pm

Course Location: Annapolis Elks Lodge #622, Edgewater, MD

Instructor: Capt. Dave Abt

0830 – 0900: Check-in Registration & Continental Breakfast

0900 – 0910: Welcome: Opening Statements & Class Announcements

0910 – 1020: Session 1 – Prevention (Part-I)

- Timing
- Vessel Preparation
- Safety Gear
- Spares
- The Crew

1020 – 1030: Coffee Break – Networking

1030 – 1200: Session 1 – Prevention (Part-II)

- Charts
- Navigation
- Planning and Prevention
- Training

1200 – 1300: Lunch – Networking

1300 – 1420: Session 2 – Responses to Situations (Part-I)

- Dismasting
- Holing
- Loss of Steerage
- Stuffing Box / Thru Hull failure

1420 – 1430: Coffee Break – Networking

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1430 – 1530: Session 2 – Responses to Situations (Part-II)

- Medical Emergencies
- MOB
- Groundings
- Severe Weather

1530 – 1700: Session 3 – Operational Awareness

- USCG GAR Risk Model
- Life Raft Deployment & Demonstration

1700 – 1730: Discussions and Open Questions Period

Instructor's Bio:

Dave Abt has spent his entire life in and around the boating community. Having grown up in a sailing family on Cape Cod, he began sailing at the age of 6 and was sailing offshore by the age of 14. Before abandoning the racing scene in the mid 1980's for the peacefulness of cruising, Dave sailed for the Penn State University Sailing Team and ran the university's intramural sail training program.

In addition to holding a USCG Master's License Dave is also a licensed PADI Master Scuba Diver Trainer having taught scuba diving at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis. It is easy to say that his whole life continues to center around the water. Dave and his family have lived aboard for over a decade and currently resides in southern Maryland. Not only does Dave have a unique understanding of vessel operation (sail & power) both inland and offshore, but managed the Baltimore office for **USA Services, Inc.**, the recognized leader for advanced marine safety, first response / para-military boats & equipment as well as marine survival equipment in the mid-Atlantic area before focusing all of his attention on consulting and training for the Public Safety community. Dave now is part of the team at **Mustang Survival**, an organization dedicated to "*Saving Lives for a Living*" where he manages the Public Safety Business Unit.

Dave's broad and varied maritime experiences in the commercial, recreational, first responder and fisheries segments of the industry provide him with an uncommon vantage point for the training and guidance of new voyagers as they prepare for their dream of that first trip over the horizon. Additionally, Dave is a past President of the Chesapeake Area Professional Captains Association.