



# Boater's Pocket Reference

Your Comprehensive Resource For Boats and Boating



## 800 Pages—In Your Pocket!

### **Boater's Pocket Reference ...a comprehensive reference ...small enough to take with you!**

The *Boater's Pocket Reference* is a robust guide, 800 pages in length with 435 illustrations, 94 photographs and a myriad of charts and graphs . . . yet it is small enough to slide into your pocket to take along on your next excursion, or keep onboard as an at-your-fingertips resource.

#### **Why another book on boating?**

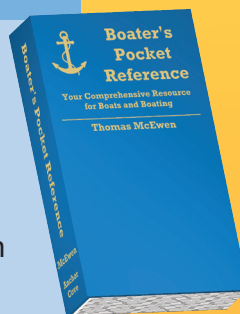
It's not just another book, it's unique. The author wanted to buy a book like this, but couldn't find one, so he wrote it himself.

#### **Who needs this book?**

- New boaters: This book provides an extensive introduction to all aspects of boating.
- Experienced boaters: A great reference and memory jogger.
- Everyone who wants to make their boating safer and more enjoyable.

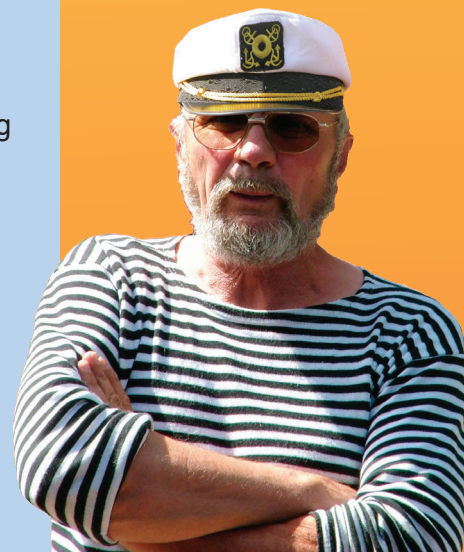
#### **What's in the book?**

- Piloting and navigation—including the use of charts, GPS, radar, and sonar.
- Communications—VHF, SSB, satellite.
- U.S. and Canadian boating regulations.
- International, U.S., and Canadian Navigation Rules (Collision Regulations).
- Understanding aids to navigation.
- Understanding weather—air movement, fronts, clouds, weather maps.
- Boat types, design, and construction as well as boating terminology.
- The essentials of good seamanship—the basics of operating a boat.
- Marlinespike seamanship—lines and knots—including 50 different knots.
- Mechanical—engines and propellers.
- Electrical—circuits, DC and AC wiring, batteries, chargers, inverters, lightning.
- Boat trailering tips, techniques, maintenance, wiring.
- General reference tables—time zones, holidays, weight and volume of liquids, and more.
- Extensive unit conversion tables.
- Boating resources—organizations, phone numbers, web sites.
- Glossary of marine terminology.



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**"Don't leave shore without it"**



## What people are saying about *Boater's Pocket Reference*.

### ***Latitudes and Attitudes Magazine: BoatBooks—Boaters Pocket Reference***

This small but knowledge-packed guide has 800 pages of information about boats and boating. Wondering what kind or size of anchor is best for your boat? Looking for flag rules or a national flag? This and a whole lot more at your fingertips with this very industrious pocket book for the boater. Easy to use, info packed!!

—Reprinted from the August 2006 issue of *Latitudes and Attitudes magazine*

### ***Sail Magazine: Bigger isn't Better***

If you want a comprehensive reference library on your boat but don't want the extra weight and bulk that come with it, the *Boater's Pocket Reference* may be the answer. This roughly 3-by-5-by-1-inch book is a thorough guide to all things nautical. The product of a lifetime of research and boating-course notes, it includes guides to navigation and piloting, step-by-step knot-tying instructions, conversion tables, weather charts, trailer-maintenance tips, and a glossary of boating terms. It covers a range of topics, from boatbuilding and design to systems maintenance, and includes a plethora of facts and figures necessary for routine sailing tasks. The depth and breadth of information available in this one small book seem boundless. Rebecca Waters

—Reprinted From the September 2006 issue of *Sail Magazine*.

### ***Power & Motoryacht Magazine: Pocket Protector***

When you're running your boat, you don't want to be digging around for reference books every time you have a question. That's exactly why I really dig this book. At 3"x5" it's small enough to fit in your pocket, and its 800 pages are jam-packed with information on everything from hull design to navigation rules, how to interpret various weather patterns, troubleshooting electrical systems, and more. Of course, its small packaging does translate to small type, so you may want to keep a magnifying glass handy as well. By Elizabeth Ginns Britten.

—Reprinted From the September issue of *Power & Motoryacht Magazine*

### ***Cruising World Magazine: Good Books—Boater's Pocket Reference***

Only 5 3/8 inches by 3 1/4 inches, this 768-page softcover book, ruggedly bound to withstand cruising-boat rigors, is packed with techno-data on every facet of boating, from design and construction to piloting and navigation to electrical circuitry and power plants. What sold us, though, were the 24 pages containing 117 conversion tables, catalogued and cross-referenced alphabetically.

—Reprinted From the September issue of *Cruising World Magazine*.

The subtitle says it all, "*Your Comprehensive Resource for Boats and Boating*." The 15 chapters range from Boat Design and Construction to Boating Glossary. There's way more information than can be covered in a short review, but Tom's book is certainly aboard Romso for our next trip.

—Ron Schwiesow, Boulder, Colorado

After 50 years of boating adventures, I have just reviewed Tom McEwen's "*Boater's Pocket Reference*". It has consolidated an amazing amount of information in a useable sized reference that you can easily carry with you. Everything about boating that you will ever need quickly is right here. I've spent hours just checking out the interesting facts and information. This book is a "must have" for every boater.

—Sincerely - Jack Anderson, Henderson, Nevada



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