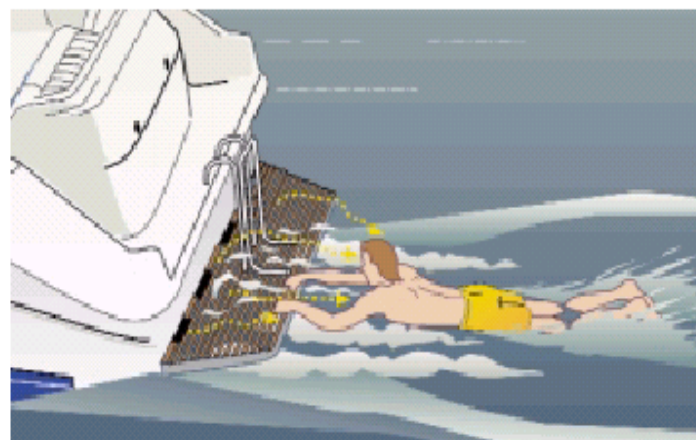


# TEAK SURFING PUTS YOU DIRECTLY IN THE LINE OF HARMFUL CARBON MONOXIDE EMISSIONS.

*Boat Smart. Be Safe.*



*"Teak surfing" is a new fad that has proven very dangerous. This activity puts an individual directly in the path of the vessel's exhaust which contains deadly levels of carbon monoxide.*

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“[Teak surfing] puts an individual directly in the path of the vessel's exhaust and poisonous external carbon monoxide,” explained Capt. Scott Evans, chief of the Office of Boating Safety, U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters. “If that in itself is not dangerous enough, the individual is now in a position that a slight miscalculation may throw him or her into a whirling propeller. Still ... it doesn't stop there. In order to ‘teak surf’ you don't wear a life jacket — the two do not go together. As is easily seen, all this is a recipe for a tragedy. A tragedy that the Coast Guard wants to see averted.”

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