

# Delta Charters

Sacramento, California

Primary Use Areas: Sacramento River

Minimal Use Areas: American River

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## Programs:

**Personal Watercraft Rentals:** Enjoy the thrill and excitement of riding a personal watercraft through the beautiful waters of Sacramento! Delta Charters personal watercraft rentals are a great way to get the family together, cool off, cruise, take in the sights, and have fun on the river. If you've never ridden a personal watercraft before, there's no need to worry; our professionals will teach you all the basics of operation and boating safety. Whether you are vacationing with your family or you are spending the weekend with friends, Delta Charters will help you make memories that will last a lifetime!

- Program Site: Launch from Discovery Park boat ramp, ride on the Sacramento River
- Period of Operation: May 22 - September 7
- Days: Sunday - Saturday
- Hours: 9:00am - 7:00pm
- Number of Personal Watercraft for Rent: 4
- Hourly Rate: \$90

**Personal Watercraft Tours:** Explore the natural and cultural history of the Sacramento Delta and have an exciting educational encounter in the natural environment all while enjoying the thrill of riding a personal watercraft! Join us in discovering the richness and diversity of the local wildlife and uncovering the vast cultural history of the Sacramento Delta. Whether your focus is exploring the area's natural wonders, it's rich cultural history, or you are simply looking for a unique opportunity to engage with family and friends, a personal watercraft tour is a great opportunity for all!

- Program Site: Launch from Discovery Park boat ramp, ride on the Sacramento River
- Period of Operation: May 22 - September 7 and by appointment \*
- Days: Sunday - Saturday \*
- Hours: 9:00am - 7:00pm \*
- Number of Personal Watercraft for Rent: 4
- Hourly Rate: \$90

\* Tours will be available on a few select dates each month, but will also be available by appointment. Additionally, tours may be placed outside of the posted operational season by appointment. All tours are subject to cancellation due to poor weather conditions.

**Personal Watercraft Training:** The purpose of the Delta Charters Personal Water Craft Training Program is to educate new users on the safe operation of personal watercraft so they may enjoy the opportunities personal watercraft are able to provide in a safe and attentive manner. Specific course topics include: terminology, appropriate attire, safety equipment, protective equipment, trailering and launching your PWC, safe operation, rules of the road, CA boating safety laws, navigation markers and signs, environmental and wildlife concerns, care and maintenance, and much more.

In addition to the educational component of the training program, participants will receive hands-on experience actually operating personal watercraft. This portion of the training is what truly sets apart Delta Charters' Personal Water Craft Training Program! There will be a written and a practical test to qualify participants as passing the program. Successful participants will receive a safe boating certification card, pertinent safe boating knowledge, and hands-on experience to allow them to safely operate personal watercraft and enjoy the opportunities personal watercraft are able to provide.

Our instructors are avid waterman with years of boating experience, having depth of knowledge in maritime safety and the ability to deliver course content utilizing adult learning concepts. Our instructors are also CPR, First-Aid, and Lifeguard certified. So, you really are in good hands! Please join us to receive valuable training that will certainly prove its worth as you set off on your next personal watercraft adventure!

- Program Site: Launch from Discovery Park boat ramp, ride on the Sacramento River
- Period of Operation: May 22 - September 7 \*
- Days: Sunday - Saturday \*
- Hours: 10:00am - 4:00pm
- Maximum Class Size: 6
- Program Cost: \$200

\* Training sessions will be offered 1-2 times per month, but they may also be requested by appointment.

## Safety and Limitations:

1. All United States Coast Guard and California Division of Boating & Waterways safety rules and regulations will be followed at all times.
2. All staff members will hold CPR, First-Aid, and Lifeguard certifications.
3. All staff will hold basic boating safety certifications as a minimum level of training.
4. Renters will be supervised by a 'Spotter' who will join them on the water on their own personal watercraft.
5. Spotters will:
  - Maintain visual contact to ensure renters remain within designated boundaries.
  - Provide assistance to renters as needed.
  - Utilize hand-held radios and/or cell phones to call for assistance as needed.
6. Renters will:
  - Sign an agreement to operate the watercraft safely and respectfully.
  - Stay within designated boundaries.
  - Follow all laws and recommended guidelines to ensure aquatic species and habitat are not disturbed.
  - Participate in a safety briefing to learn operational guidelines, expectations, and responsibilities.
  - Watch the 'Personal Watercraft Rental Orientation' video presented by the Personal Watercraft Industry Association (PWIA) where they learn about safe operation, rules of the road, and how to remain cognizant and respectful of environmental concerns.
  - Read and sign safety a safety checklist approved by the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA), agreeing to knowledge learned/known and committing to uphold such.
7. All classes will be operated with no less than a 6:1 student to teacher ratio.

\* If at any time, Delta Charters determines that a renter is not able to safely operate the personal watercraft, Delta Charters reserves the right to immediately terminate the rental agreement.

\* Personal watercraft to remain staged on their trailer at the Discovery Park boat ramp parking lot and launching to occur from the boat ramp at the time of rental. A rental table with pop-up tent will be placed in the grass area immediately adjacent to the boat ramp on the East side of the ramp. Specific site locations as per recommendation of Sacramento County Regional Parks. The only additional utilized facilities would be parking for vehicles and use of restrooms.