

# **TECHNICAL ADVISORY**

## **DIVISION OF MOTORIST SERVICES**

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SUBJECT: New jetboard (power surfboard) registration and title

requirements

### Overview:

The jetboard is a relatively new power surfboard that has been showing up in Florida waters recently. This Technical Advisory provides guidance on the title and registration requirements for jetboards.

#### **Details:**

The Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) has advised the Department that this watercraft must be titled and registered. Therefore, it must have a FL number and a hull identification number (HIN).

The jetboard shown below is an average length of seven feet, has an electric start, gas powered two or four stroke water cooled gas engine, is capable of speeds up to 55 miles per hour, and is made of fiberglass. It appears that China and/or other Asian countries are manufacturing jetboards.

The manufacturer should stamp the HIN number in the board. However, if the jetboard does not have a HIN number, the distributor of the jetboard should provide it to the customer in order to meet Coast Guard standards. Additionally, the jetboard must meet Coast Guard requirements as to HIN format, HIN location, and the information displayed near the HIN. You can find these requirements in <u>33 CFR Part 181.23</u>, <u>33 FR Part 181.25</u>, <u>33 FR Part 181.27</u>, <u>33 CFR Part 181.29</u>, and Section <u>328.07</u>, Florida Statutes.

To apply for an original title for a jetboard, the MCO is required. Transfers, duplicates, etc. are handled as described in current procedures.

Because of the shape of the jetboard, the FL# needs to be on each side of the forward half of the board with the decal affixed to the port (left) side within six inches of the FL#. See <a href="sections 328.48(4">sections 328.48(4)</a> and (5), Florida Statutes, for additional registration and decal information.

### **Conclusion:**

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Field Support.









Over Length	230 cm	Net/Gross Weight	75kg/ 145kg
Over Width	72 cm	Max Operator Weight	95kg
Over Height	26cm	Max Speed	45km/h