Coastal Lifestyle: Seafood Checklist for New Residents

- ☐ Buy a <u>saltwater fishing license</u>
- ☐ Get a copy of official fishing regulations
- ☐ Download the Saltwater Fish Pocket Guide
- ☐ Grab fish and crab rulers from your local tackle shop
- ☐ Find your local seafood market
- ☐ Find your favorite local seafood restaurant
- ☐ Check for fish consumption advisories
- ☐ Attend a <u>Family Fishing Clinic</u>
- ☐ Become a <u>certified DNR Fishing Instructor</u>
- ☐ Report any tagged fish you catch you'll get a free t-shirt!
- ☐ Locate <u>shellfish harvest grounds</u> near you
- ☐ Harvest your own oysters and have an oyster roast
- ☐ Recycle your oyster shells
- ☐ <u>Volunteer with SCORE</u> to create living shorelines
- ☐ Create a Carolina Yard to reduce polluted runoff that harms seafood
- Pick up after your pet to reduce bacteria in water
- ☐ Report any fishing violations to Operation Game Thief: 1-800-922-5431





Coastal Lifestyle: Recreation Checklist for New Residents

	Register your boat with SCDNR
	Review the Handbook! of SC Boating Laws and Responsibilities
	Take a <u>boater education course</u>
	Locate the closest <u>public boat ramp</u>
	Use these <u>clean boating tips</u> to support water quality
	Watch your wake – slow down to protect oysters, people, property and
	wildlife
	Bookmark your <u>local NOAA NWS Marine Forecast</u>
	Study the tides in your area
	Download your local nautical chart
	Learn to sail, kayak or paddleboard with a local outfitter
	Get a comfortable, properly fitting life jacket
	Designate an old pair of sneakers as your official pluff mud shoes
	<u>Check for swim advisories</u> at your favorite beach
\Box	Decide on a hoat waste disposal strategy

☐ Report any boating violations to Operation Game Thief: 1-800-922-5431





Participate in an Outside In webinar with SCDNR. (View past recordings)
Visit a coastal Wildlife Management Area
Visit the South Carolina Aquarium or a local nature center
Participate in the annual Beach Sweep/River Sweep cleanup
Get involved with Palmetto Pride to reduce litter in your community
Volunteer with a <u>turtle patrol</u> to help endangered sea turtles
Turn front beach lights out to help sea turtles
Sign the Dolphin Pledge and respectfully view marine mammals
Become a Shorebird Steward with SC Audubon
View a Seabird Sanctuary from an unobtrusive distance
Know the difference between a nuisance alligator and a neighborly one
Invest in a good pair of binoculars
Keep your dog leashed on the beach to protect wildlife and your pup
Never feed wildlife

☐ Give wildlife plenty of space

