

# Prepare to Paddle Safely

## Life Jackets

Intended for offshore use. Because of their bulk, they are not recommended for paddlers.



Near-shore buoyancy vests. They are not recommended for paddlers.



Flotation Aid. They are recommended for paddlers.



Throwable devices. These are not required on canoes or kayaks and are not to be used as substitutes for life jackets.



These are special use life jackets. They may be appropriate and recommended for certain uses by paddlers.



### WEAR IT!

Be safe and keep your life jacket snug.



Read the USCG-approved life jacket label. The right fit provides the right flotation. *Remember, it doesn't work if you don't wear it!*