



Do you have expired marine flares?

Flares manufactured in **2021** or earlier expire this year, as Transport Canada approves them for four years. They should be replaced every third or fourth boating season.

To dispose of expired flares you cannot:

- **Don't ignite them:** Flares are for emergencies only and lighting them in non-distress situations, like decommissioning, is illegal.
- **Don't throw them in the water:** Marine flares contain toxic chemicals, which can pollute waterways and drinking water sources.
- **Don't put them in household garbage:** Flares are not permitted in regular trash or at household hazardous waste facilities due to their potential explosion and fire hazards.

CanBoat / NautiSavoir volunteers and select CIL Dealers are hosting Safety Equipment Education and Flare Disposal Days to collect expired marine flares for neutralization and safe disposal.

Free Marine Flare Collection Event:

Date: May 10 2025 Time: 12:00- 3:30

Location: Queens Cove Marina



The CPS Foundation has stepped up to fund this important program in partnership with CIL for 2025 only. There is no longer any funding support from Transport Canada for this service. As a result, we are reaching out to boaters for donations. Visit CanBoat.ca for details.