

USACE Water Safety Photo Contest Submission Deadline is 31 October 2016

The USACE Water Safety Photo Contest is an excellent opportunity to showcase your photographs and talent. Winning photographers will receive some outstanding items that can be used to promote water safety. This photo contest is open to all USACE employees and volunteers including PAO and ACE-IT employees.

Photos submitted must have been taken at a Corps of Engineers project or off-site at an event/program involving the Corps of Engineers. Photos in all categories except for the non-water related recreation category should depict the promotion of water safety, demonstrate safe water practices, and/or showcase water-based recreation facilities. Photos will be judged for clarity, composition, originality, visual impact, and topic.



2016 Categories:

1. USACE Employees in Action (includes water safety mascots)
2. USACE Partners or Volunteers in Action
3. Commercial Boating
4. Water Recreation
5. Non-water Recreation
6. Horizontal Boating Brochure Cover* (If a winner is selected in this category their photo will be used on the cover of the Safe Passage Boating Booklet that will be revised and printed in 2017.)
7. Vertical Boating Brochure Cover* (If a winner is selected in this category their photo could be used on future publications.)

Contest entries must be sent to your National Water Safety Committee Division Representative.

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Submission Requirements:

- It is recommended that you submit original photo taken.
- Photographers are encouraged to set digital cameras to their highest resolution possible.
- Entries should be at least 300 dpi resolutions and 5" by 7" in size.
- Photos with date stamps or artwork embedded on it will not be accepted.
- Each photographer may submit up to three photos per category.
- A completed **ENG Form 5067-R**, Digital Library Image Information (Appendix B of ER 25-1-91) must be submitted with every entry. Indicate the category you are entering in the 'remarks' box.
www.publications.usace.army.mil/Portals/76/Publications/EngineerForms/ENG_FORM_5067_May_1998.pdf.
- Close-up images of people **MUST** be accompanied by a **signed DD Form 2830 (general talent release)**
<http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/forms/eforms/dd2830.pdf> or district equivalent to be considered in the contest.

- Submitting entries via email is the preferred method of submitting entries. If the files are too large to email then please mail your entries in on a CD. All files associated with your photo must have similar names or be saved in its own separate folder.
- Photos of visitors that are on or near the water must all be wearing life jackets that are properly sized and buckled including those in the background.
- All uniformed employees shown in photos should be wearing the complete and proper uniform for the activity in which they are engaged; for example, when outdoors, **campaign hats** should be worn, unless the park ranger is on a boat or on bike patrol. Review ER & EP 1130-2-550, Chapter 8 for details on wearing the proper uniform. In most situations it is recommended that employees should not be wearing **sunglasses** in the photos. For example, if an employee is operating a boat a photo of an employee wearing sunglasses is okay, but if they are talking to a visitor or at an event sunglasses should not be worn in the photos that are submitted.
- Ensure all people in the photos are wearing proper personal protective equipment that is associated with the activity they are doing in accordance with the USACE Safety Manual EM 385-1-1.
- *** Specific Requirements for Boating Brochure Cover Categories (Horizontal and Vertical):** A variety of boating (at least two different kinds) must be in the photo. Background should be a terrain that can be associated with all USACE waterways across the country. No buildings or extreme terrain such as mountains should be in the background. Everyone in the photo must be wearing properly fitted life jackets.

Checking for 300 DPI Photos

You can check your photo DPI by using Microsoft Office Picture Manager which is found on the “Start” menu.

- Click on “All Programs”, then “Microsoft Office”, then “Microsoft Office Tools”
- Open Picture Manager and click on “File” and then “Locate Pictures”

Once you have found your photos:

- Right click on the photo and select “Properties”
- From the right-hand panel that pops up, click on “More” to view dpi.

For help manipulating your photo, your District Public Affairs office may be able to assist you. However, they must have a high resolution photo to start with. If you think you have a high quality photo, but are unable to find anyone to manipulate it, go ahead and submit it. Just let your Division representative know that you would like for us to attempt to fix it for you.

AWARDS

All winners will receive a certificate with their winning photo. First place winners will receive an inflatable life jacket educational kit that includes two inflatable life jackets, table-top flip chart display, CD with digital resources and four extra life jacket cartridges to use for interpretive/educational purposes. Second place winners will receive either a case of Life Jackets Worn...Nobody Mourns multi-tool carabineers or towels to use at their project. If honorable mentions are selected they will receive a case of Life Jackets Worn...Nobody Mourns floating key chains to use at their project. Winners will be announced by Headquarters NLT 28 April 2017.

Photos entered in this contest are considered public domain and can be used by the USACE, partners and others. USACE reserves the right to use and distribute any photos entered into this contest so that they can be used in exhibits, publications, web pages or other forms of public information, regardless of contest outcomes. For more information regarding this contest contact your National Water Safety Division Representative.