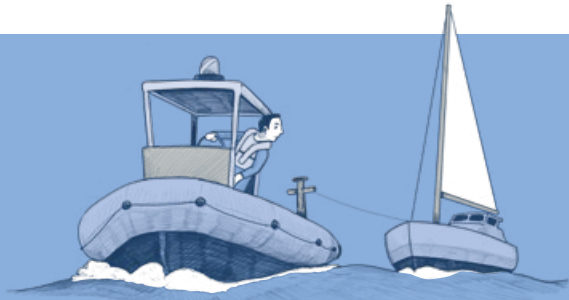


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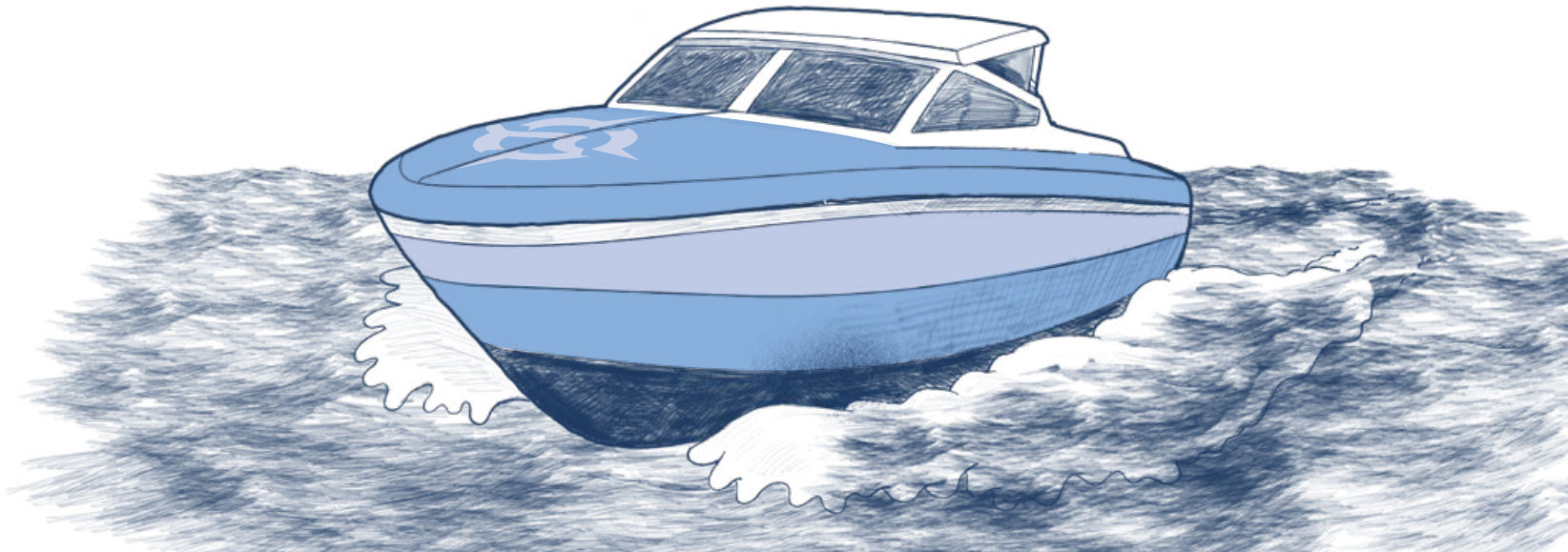
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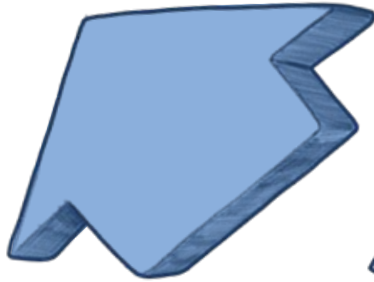
Operating your boat more safely, learning navigational skills, how to deal with various scenarios, and allowing you to charge passengers, are just a handful of the countless benefits of obtaining your Captain's License.



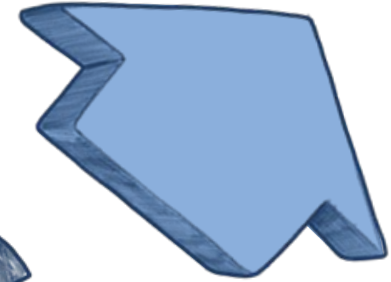
“Which Captain’s License should I get?” is a question that we often hear.

The two main Captain's Licenses issued by the Coast Guard are the Operator of Uninspected Passenger Vessels also known as the *OUPV/Six-Pack License* and the *25/50/100 Ton Master License*.

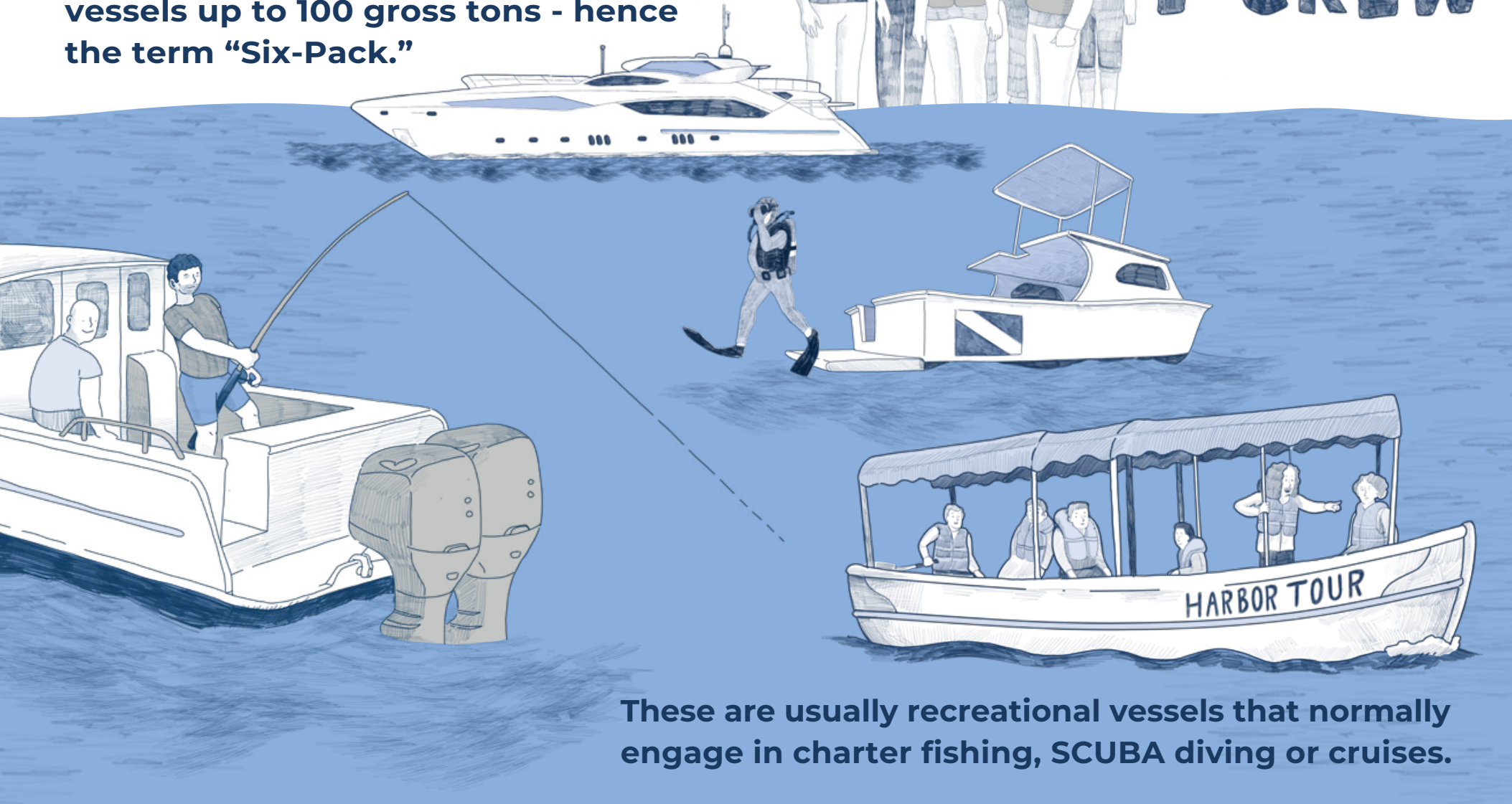
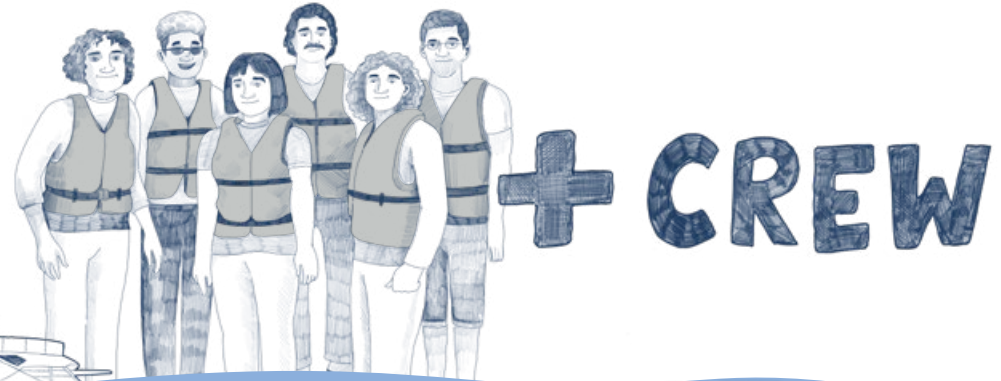
OUPV/
SIX PACK



25/50/100
TON MASTER



The Six-Pack Captain's License allows the holder to carry up to six paying passengers plus crew on uninspected vessels up to 100 gross tons - hence the term "Six-Pack."



These are usually recreational vessels that normally engage in charter fishing, SCUBA diving or cruises.

The 25/50 or 100 Ton Master allows the holder to operate inspected vessels as well as uninspected vessels.

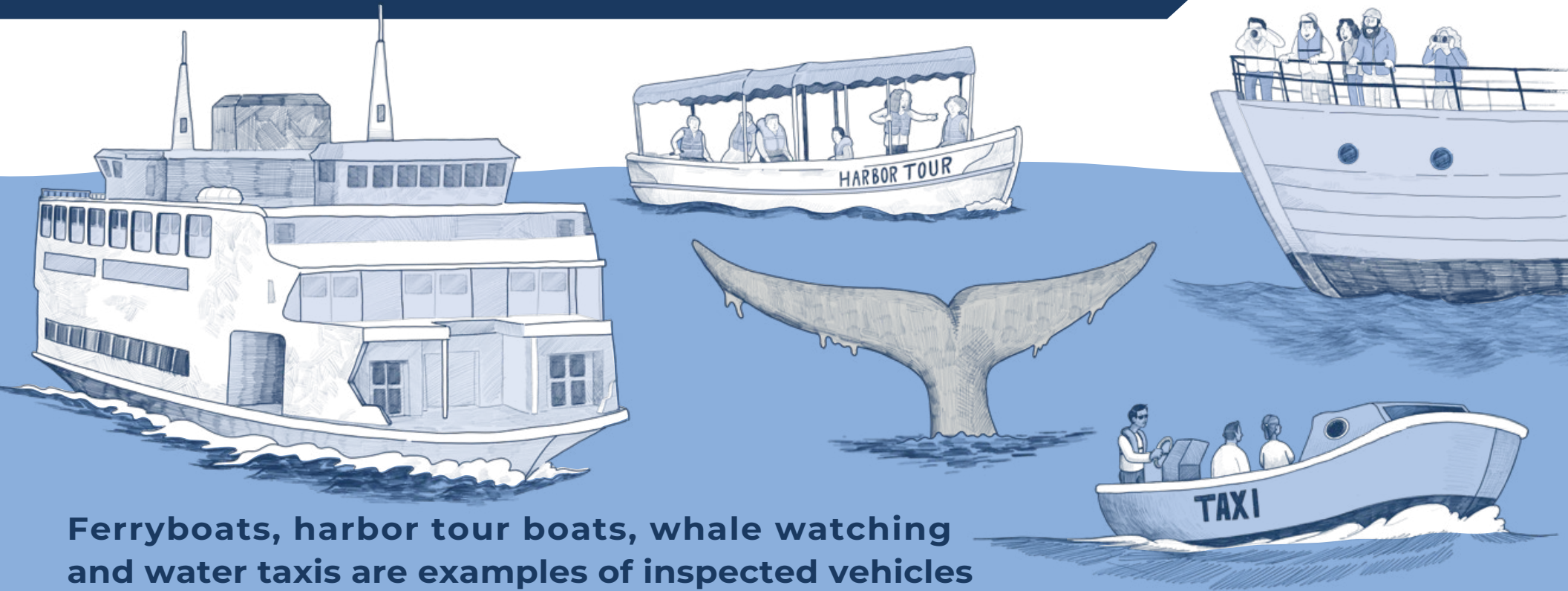
25/50/100 TON

**UNINSPECTED
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Any vessel that is authorized to carry more than 6 paying passengers must have onboard a Captain who holds a Master License.

6+ PASSENGERS

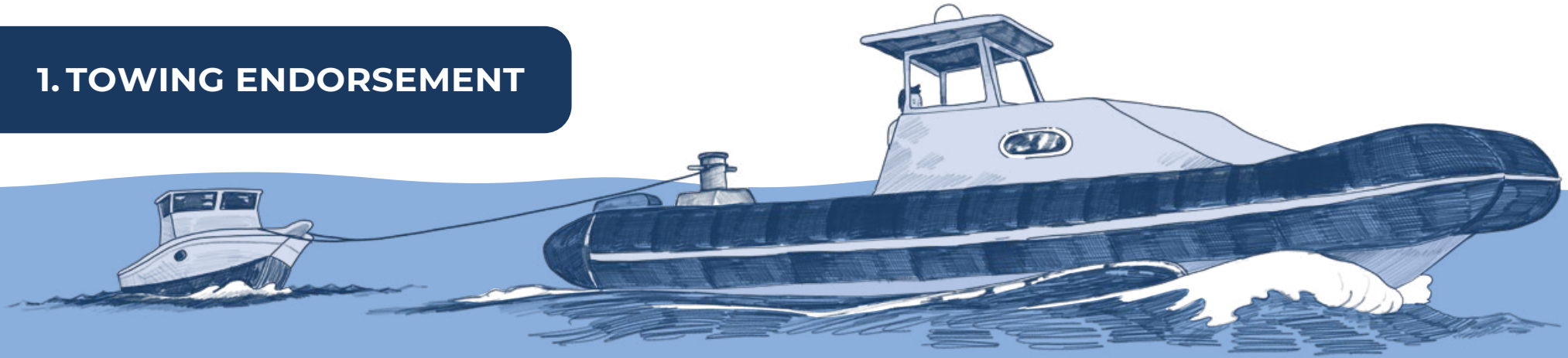
MASTER



Ferryboats, harbor tour boats, whale watching and water taxis are examples of inspected vehicles

There are TWO additional endorsements that can be added to your license:

1. TOWING ENDORSEMENT



The Towing Endorsement may be issued to those who hold a Six-Pack or Master License and would like to engage in assisting vessels for a fee.



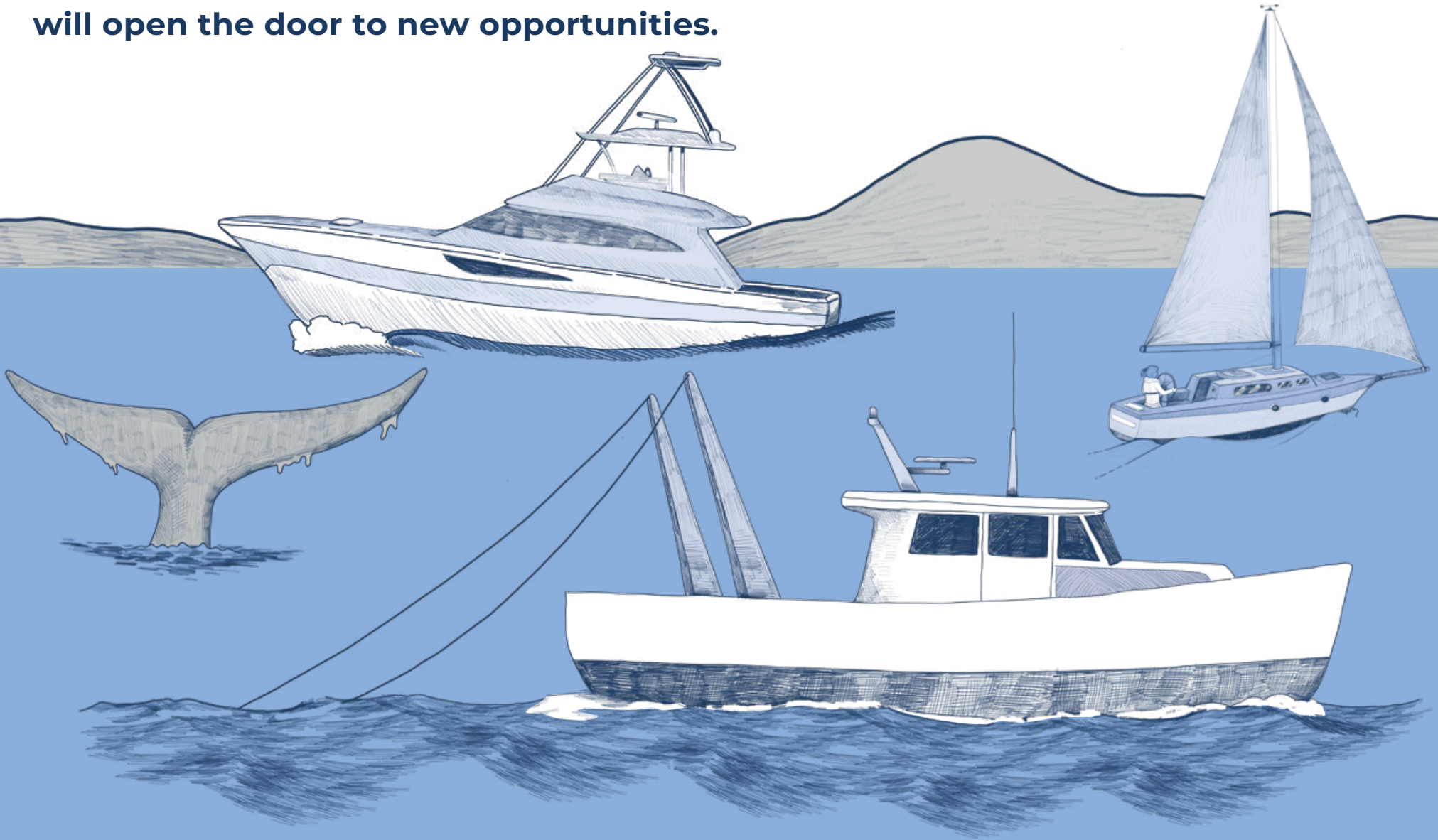
To “commercially assist” other vessels that may be aground, disabled or out of fuel, or experiencing some other malfunction requires an endorsement for Commercial Assistance Towing.

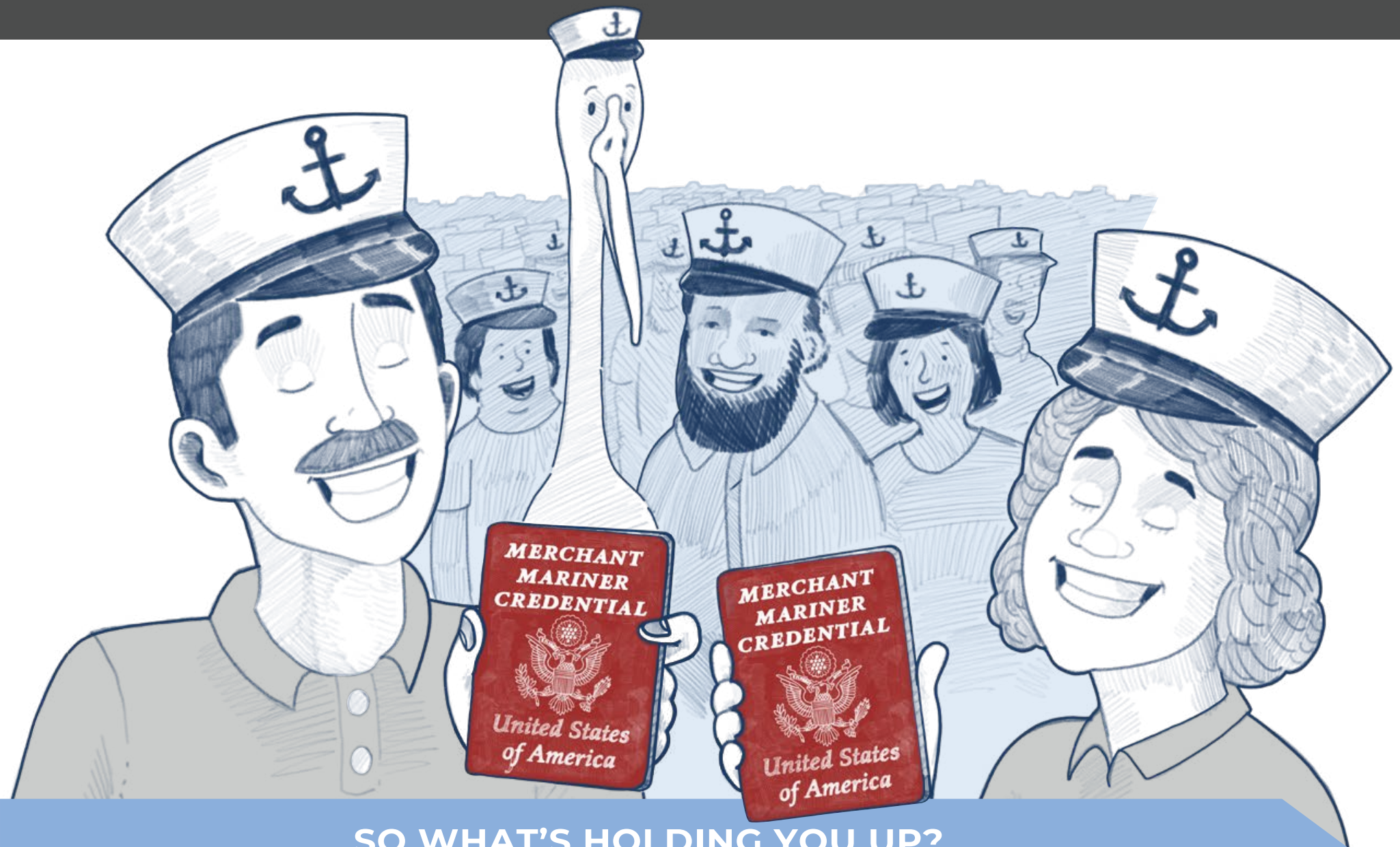
2. SAILING ENDORSEMENT



Licensed Master or Mates may also be endorsed for Sail or Auxiliary Sail, as appropriate. This endorsement authorizes the holder to operate inspected sail or auxiliary sailing vessels within the scope and limitations of their license.

Whether you're a sailor chasing the wind, a power boater in search of your next big fish or a cruiser looking for the perfect sunset earning your Captain's License will open the door to new opportunities.





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