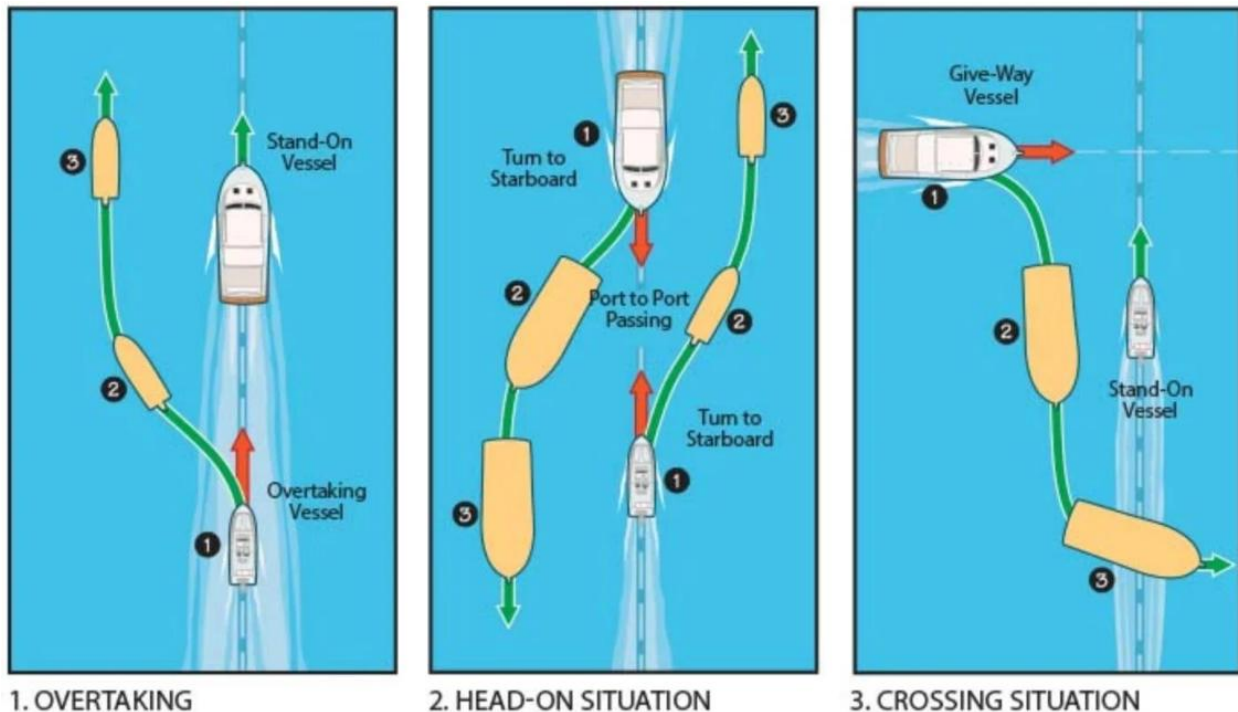


## Right-of-Way & Passing

- **Power vs. Sail:** Power-driven vessels must give way to sailboats under sail. (If a sailboat is using a motor, it is considered a powerboat).
- **Crossing:** If two powerboats are crossing paths, the vessel on the right (starboard) has the right-of-way and is the "stand-on" vessel. The vessel on the left (the "give-way" vessel) must alter course to pass behind or safely clear.
- **Head-On:** When two powerboats approach each other head-on, both must alter course to starboard (right) so they pass port-to-port.
- **Overtaking:** An overtaking vessel must stay clear. The boat being overtaken maintains its course and speed



## Channel Navigation

- **Red Right Returning:** When entering a channel from the open sea or traveling upstream, keep the red markers to your right (starboard). When heading out to sea, keep the green markers to your right.
- **Intracoastal Waterway (ICW):** Markers often have yellow symbols. When traveling south along the Florida coast, keep yellow triangles to starboard (right) and yellow squares to port (left).

## Speeds & Restricted Zones

- **Idle Speed / No Wake:** Boats must be fully off-plane to create minimum wake. You must obey posted Idle Speed/No Wake zones, which apply within 500 to 1,000 feet of certain shorelines, swimming areas, and marinas.
- **Slow Speed / Minimum Wake:** Vessels must be fully off-plane, settling completely into the water so they don't produce a wake.