

# FREE Expired Marine Flare Collection Events

## Dispose of Your Expired or Unwanted Marine Flares Safely & Responsibly!

Single-use marine flares contain hazardous chemicals that pose risks to human health and the environment. Special collection events for unwanted flares are being held across California.

Open **ONLY** to recreational boaters who live in or berth their boat in the covered participating areas. Proof of residence or slip fee is **required**. No commercial flares or other hazardous waste will be accepted!

### Del Norte County

**Saturday, November 8, 2025**, 10 AM to 2 PM  
1700 State Street, Crescent City, CA 95531

### Marin County

**Sunday, November 9, 2025**, 8 AM to 12 PM  
Clipper Yacht Harbor, 310 Harbor Dr, Sausalito, CA

### Alameda County

**Sunday, November 9, 2025**, By Appointment ONLY.  
Sign-up for an appointment: 9 AM to 1 PM  
[www.stopwaste.org/marineflares](http://www.stopwaste.org/marineflares)

### Santa Cruz County

**Sunday, November 9, 2025**, 8 AM to 12 PM  
425 Brommer Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95062

### West Contra Costa County

**October 29 - November 8, 2025**

Wednesday - Saturday, 9 AM - 4 PM  
101 Pittsburg Avenue, Richmond, CA 94801



*"Marine flares are a critical part of boating safety. Their proper disposal is restricted and extremely expensive, as they must be transported as explosives. I want to encourage all boaters to participate in these free collection events. Don't miss this chance to stay safe & help protect our waterways!"*

**Marie Rogers, California Recreational Boater Certified Sailing Instructor, Competitor in Major Regattas like the Transpac.**

*"Before heading out to paddle or sail, I always check that my marine flares are up to date and in good condition. If they're expired or unused, I take them to a free collection event every fall. You can do the same! Safe disposal of marine flares is part of being a good mariner."*

**Cyril Derreumaux, extreme Kayaker, three-time Guinness World Records for having crossed the Pacific and the Atlantic solo by kayak.**

