



FLOAT PLAN



Fill in this form before departing on your trip. Leave it with someone who you can rely on to notify the proper authorities should you not return at the planned time.

INFORMATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Vessel Name/License #: _____

Size/Type: _____

Color: _____ Hull: _____

Deck: _____ Cabin: _____

Type of Engine: _____

Other Features: _____

Radio Channels HF: _____ VHF: _____ MF: _____

Satellite/Cell Telephone: _____

SAFETY EQUIPMENT ON BOARD

Life Rafts: _____ PFD's (QTY): _____

Flares (QTY/Type): _____

Dinghy/Small Boat (& Colour): _____

Search/Rescue Phone: _____

Flashlight: _____ Paddles: _____

GPS: _____ Compass: _____

Smoke Signals: _____ Water: _____

Food: _____ Anchor: _____

Other: _____

TRIP DETAILS (INCLUDE THESE DETAILS EVERY TRIP)

Date of Departure: _____

Time of Departure: _____

Leaving From: _____

Heading To: _____

Proposed Route: _____

Est. Time/Date of Arrival: _____

Stopover Point: _____

Number of People on Board: _____

Illnesses/Allergies: _____



PRE-DEPARTURE CHECKLIST



EQUIPMENT

(Ensure all are on board and in working order)

- Protection equipment (eg. lifejackets, throwable devices, boarding device; 1 correct sized lifejacket for each person aboard)
- Boat safety equipment (eg. oars, fire extinguisher)
- Navigation equipment (eg. sound signaling device)
- Repair equipment
- First aid kit (include dry clothes, water, rations)
- Communication equipment (VHF radio, cell phone)

MECHANICAL

(Ensure all are in working condition)

- Navigation equipment
- Powered devices
- Engine & fittings
- Bilge pumps (manual and electric) (should be clear of debris)
- VHF Radio
- All hoses and belts

THINGS TO CHECK

(Ensure all are checked)

- Batteries are charged
- All fluid levels are full (eg. antifreeze, battery, oil, transmission, coolant)
- The drainage plug is in place
- Has enough fuel for the trip (1/3 out, 1/3 back, 1/3 for reserve)
- Hull / structural damage
- Oil or water leaks

INFORM

(Ensure all passengers know the following)

- The location of the first aid kit
- The location of the distress equipment
- The location of the PFDs and throwable devices
- The location of the fire extinguishers
- Storm weather and falls overboard procedures
- Radio operations

THINGS TO DO

(These must be done before departure)

- Get the weather forecast
- Get updated charts noting hazards and marinas
- Give a float plan to a responsible person

DOCUMENTATION

(Ensure the following are on board)

- Boater Education Card
- Fishing / hunting licenses
- Radio license
- Local water charts