

# GET YOUR BOAT READY FOR SUMMER!

## PRE-SEASON CHECKLIST

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Vessel name/registration \_\_\_\_\_

Date of registration renewal \_\_\_\_\_

Fuel capacity \_\_\_\_\_

Approx burn rate (dist/time) \_\_\_\_\_

Fuel – remember to allow for 1/3rd outbound, 1/3rd return and 1/3rd reserve, for any sea conditions.

**Engine hours**

**Port Time**

Total hours \_\_\_\_\_

**Starboard Time**

Total hours \_\_\_\_\_

**Service due** \_\_\_\_\_



### Where to get more information

Phone: 1800 223 022

[www.transportsafety.vic.gov.au/maritime-safety](http://www.transportsafety.vic.gov.au/maritime-safety)

Email: [information@transportsafety.vic.gov.au](mailto:information@transportsafety.vic.gov.au)



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## Machinery

- Engine oil level
- Engine tilt/trim
- Fuel
- Fuel filters
- Fuel tanks, lines, clips
- Visual exterior
- Bilge pump
- Gear box oil
- Coolant water intake
- Hydraulic steering
- Anodes
- Propeller (bolts/blades)
- Collar air pressure (for inflatables)
- Fuel caps/breathers on portable tanks

Special care is needed when operating vessels with inboard petrol engines. Equipment should be checked regularly by a suitably qualified person.

## Equipment

- Batteries/terminals
- Mooring lines
- Lanyard
- Navigation lights
- Flood lights
- Compass
- Deck lights
- Horn
- Fenders
- Steering system
- Bungs
- Battery isolation
- Lines (mooring)
- Lanyard
- Are the bungs securely placed in the bung holes?

## Radio

- 27 MHz
- VHF

VHF radio is recommended for marine use – you will need a licence to operate one. Contact ACMA for details.

## Trailer

- Brake lever
- Lights
- Visual exterior
- Winch and cable

- Safety chains and links
- Tie down straps
- Tyre pressures
- Trailer coupling
- Safety lock
- Grease on bearings
- Rollers/skids

## Safety equipment

- PFD for each person
- Fire extinguisher
- Waterproof buoyant torch
- Anchor with chain and line
- Bailer Bucket and lanyard
- Bilge pump
- Oars or paddles
- Orange smoke signals
- Red flares
- Lifebuoy
- Dinghy or liferaft
- Compass
- Marine radio
- EPIRB
- Parachute rocket
- Have personal flotation devices (PFDs) been serviced in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications?
- Has the fire extinguisher been serviced in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications? Is it free of rust and corrosion?
- Is the pressure indicator working properly?
- Are flares and smoke signals in date? If not, dispose of them at selected police stations – contact your local police station for more details.
- Is your EPIRB (emergency position indicating radio beacon) registered with Australian Maritime Safety Authority?

**Note: Additional safety equipment is required if you go beyond 2 nautical miles offshore – a compass, rocket flares, marine radio and an EPIRB.**