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## Trip Day Checklist

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### Home

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- Pick up cell phone, handheld VHF, digital camera, video camera
- Start coffee maker
- Get food, drinks, chum bucket
- Place in food & chum bucket in coolers
- Is electric motor in boat?
- Load toolbox, floor jack, and gear basket into Montero
- UNPLUG BATTERY CHARGER!! Put cord away!**
- Raise trailer onto dolly, remove wheel block
- Hook trailer up to Montero, **LOCK HITCH, PUT KEYS IN SUV**
- Attach trailer lights, breakaway cable, safety chains
- Verify battery switch on, trolling motor battery switch to 24V
- LATCH CONSOLE**
- Garage door lifter is in place
- Make sure seat cushions, tank lid are in bait tank
- Make sure extra guest life jackets are in bait tank
- TILT MOTOR, INSTALL TRANSOM MOTOR BRACE**
- VERIFY BUCKETS TIED DOWN**
- Turn on lights, walk around trailer. Check trailer lights, visual tire check
- Get coffee, **TURN OFF COFFEEMAKER!** Lock house, set alarm, close garage
- Record starting mileage from Odometer

### Drive Out

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- Ice, ATM, breakfast
- Check trailer and Montero tire pressure (**CHECK SPARE**)
- Fill boat gas tanks and auxiliary gas tanks

### Launch

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- Remove front and rear tie-downs and transom motor brace
- Fill engine oil tank
- CHECK DRAIN PLUG**
- Install any removable electronics
- Raise radio antenna
- Move seat cushion to hooks on bait tank
- Move tackle bags, etc. to cargo racks & tie down
- Life jacket(s), bumpers, docking lines out
- Mount downrigger/outriggers
- PRIME MOTOR FUEL BULB (MUST BE SOLID)**

### Park Montero

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- CLUB, SUNSHADE**

### Trip

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- Start bait tank at dock

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## Trip (continued)

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- Radio check
- Reset Sonar and GPS trip logs

### Landing

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- Drain bait tank
- Put boat on trailer, pull out
- Pull drain plug (9/16" wrench)
- Bow and transom tie-downs, transom motor brace
- Put electric motor back in boat
- Seat cushions, tank lid in bait tank
- Bumpers, dock lines, life jacket(s) away
- Put loose tackle away
- Offload cargo rack
- Remove downrigger/outriggers
- BUCKETS TIED DOWN**
- Turn off radio & GPS; fold radio antenna down
- Cover on sonar

### Drive Back

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- Stop at West Marine to re-provision boating supplies
- FILL BOAT GAS TANK, note fuel used**

### Home

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- Flush motor, rinse trailer & brakes (with Saltaway)
- While flushing motor, offload boat (tackle, ice chests, etc.)
- Put electric motor back on boat
- Cover radio
- Fill wash bucket with soap and water
- Clean boat, trailer, tackle
- Clean GPS and Sonar if required
- Tackle, ice chests, etc. back in boat
- Open bilge hatch plate
- Remove electric motor & place in garage
- TILT MOTOR UP**
- Move boat into garage partway
- Tilt motor down
- Remove boat from Montero, **LOWER TONGUE AS FAR AS DOLLY WILL GO**
- Push boat in, block wheel, fold tongue back
- Put trailer lock in known location
- Lower trailer to clear door using floor jack
- TURN OFF BATTERY SWITCHES**
- PLUG IN BATTERY CHARGER**
- Put wash down equipment away
- Park car & move stuff back