

Emergency Operating Procedures

Equipment	Location
Life jackets	Under front casting deck
Throwable life preserver	Hanging on front of bait tank
First Aid kit	Front console seat
Flares, other signaling devices	Front console seat
Fire extinguisher	Under back edge of console
Spare VHF antenna	Front console seat
Hull plugs	Front console seat
Tools, spare screws, duct tape, etc.	Front console seat
Extra oil	Front console seat
Spare prop	Front console seat
Sea anchor	Under front casting deck
Manual bilge pump	Under front casting deck
Handheld VHF	Dry bag

Boat is sinking or a serious/life threatening incident has occurred, and immediate help is needed – MAYDAY

Action	Notes	Purpose
If the radio is not on, press and hold the power button until the display is on	Takes about 1 – 2 seconds	
Press the "POS" button to display the boat's position.	If no position is displayed, make sure the GPS is turned on and ready	The boat's position will be needed for the emergency call
Press the red "16/9" button on the mic or the unit until Channel 16 is selected.	Channel 9 may appear first. Press the button again.	Channel 16 is the voice emergency hailing frequency
Press the Transmit button on the mic, and speak into the microphone: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY, THIS IS [BOAT NAME], [BOAT NAME], [BOAT NAME]" "MAYDAY {BOAT NAME} OUR POSITION IS XX DEGREES YY.YYY MINUTES [NORTH or SOUTH], XXX DEGREES YY.YYY MINUTES [WEST or EAST]." "WE ARE (describe emergency)" "WE REQUIRE (.....)" "WE HAVE (number of people) ON BOARD" "VESSEL IS A [BOAT DESCRIPTION], LICENSE xx xxxx xxx". "I WILL BE LISTENING ON CHANNEL 16." "[BOAT NAME] OVER." Wait 30 seconds. Repeat until contact is established. Coast Guard or nearest vessel will respond.		

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MAYDAY continued		
If there is no response to the Mayday, after 10 minutes, activate the EPRIB by flipping the yellow tab on the top of the EPIRB over completely until it clicks flat on the opposite side.	A strobe will begin flashing periodically. IF YOU HAVE TO ABANDON SHIP, TAKE THE EPIRB WITH YOU & TIE IT TO YOUR LIFE JACKET	The EPIRB sends a satellite emergency signal to NOAA & Coast Guard
Continue to call MAYDAY & monitor Channel 16		Coast Guard will contact you on Channel 16
To cancel a Mayday , press the Transmit button on the mic, and speak into the microphone: "Mayday - Hello all stations, Hello all stations, Hello all stations" "This is <i>Boatname</i> . Time is xx:yy. <i>Boatname</i> Silence Fine' ". (Use French pronunciation: " Seelonce Feenay' ")		

Man overboard and cannot be easily recovered, or other urgent situation (but NOT MAYDAY) – PAN PAN (pronounced "Pahn Pahn")

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If the radio is not on, press and hold the power button until the display is on	Takes about 1 – 2 seconds	
Press the "POS" button to display the boat's position.	If no position is displayed, make sure the GPS is turned on and ready	The boat's position will be needed for the emergency call
Press the red "16/9" button on the mic or the unit until Channel 16 is selected.	Channel 9 may appear first. Press the button again.	Channel 16 is the voice emergency hailing frequency
Press the Transmit button, and speak into the microphone: "PAN PAN, PAN PAN, PAN PAN, ALL STATIONS THIS IS [BOAT NAME], [BOAT NAME], [BOAT NAME]" "WE ARE (describe emergency)" "WE REQUIRE (.....)" "OUR POSITION IS XX DEGREES YY.YYY MINUTES [NORTH or SOUTH], XXX DEGREES YY.YYY MINUTES [WEST or EAST]." "VESSEL IS A [BOAT DESCRIPTION], LICENSE xx xxxx xx". "WE HAVE (number of people) ON BOARD" "[BOAT NAME] OVER." Wait 30 seconds. Repeat until contact is established. Coast Guard or nearest vessel will respond.		
To cancel Pan Pan , press the Transmit button on the mic, and speak into the microphone: "Pan-pan, Pan-pan - Hello all stations, hello all stations." "This is <i>Boatname</i> . Time is xx:yy, cancel Pan-pan. <i>Boatname</i> Out."		

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Starting the Motor		
Action	Notes	Purpose
Squeeze primer bulb several times until the bulb is firm	Bulb is on fuel hose back by motor	Fills carburetor with fuel
Press and hold the square button to the right of the throttle/gearshift. Move the throttle to the front or back	Start with ½ throttle. Throttle position may have to be adjusted to keep motor running	Disengages the gears so the throttle can be adjusted without the boat moving
If the engine is cold, push the key in and hold it in before turning the key to start the motor.		Pushing in the key will choke the motor.
Turn the key clockwise and hold to crank the motor. When the motor starts, release the key.	Gauges will light up and beep as system does a self-check.	
Move the throttle back to the neutral position, then move the throttle forward or back to put the boat in gear		Moving throttle back to neutral engages the gearshift.

Motor can not be started & a tow is needed – Call VESSEL ASSIST

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If the radio is not on, press and hold the power button until the display is on	Takes about 1 – 2 seconds	
Press the "POS" button to display the boat's position.	If no position is displayed, make sure the GPS is turned on and ready	The boat's position will be needed for the emergency call
Use the cell phone to call Vessel Assist, 800-399-1921. Give member number xxxxxxx, vessel position from radio		
If you cannot reach Vessel Assist on the cell phone, use the radio. Press the red "16/9" button on the mic or the unit until Channel 16 is selected.	Channel 9 may appear first. Press the button again.	Channel 16 is the voice emergency hailing frequency
<p>Press and hold the Transmit button on the mic, and speak into the microphone: "VESSEL ASSIST, VESSEL ASSIST, THIS IS [BOAT NAME], OVER." Wait 2 minutes. If no response, repeat up to 2 more times. If there is no response after the third attempt, wait 15 minutes then repeat the sequence above.</p>		

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VESSEL ASSIST CALL continued		
When Vessel Assist responds, they will ask you to change to a different channel. Change to the designated channel and call for Vessel Assist again.		
If, and only if, you cannot reach Vessel Assist , hail the Coast Guard on Channel 16 using the above procedure & follow their instructions.		
If there is no response from anyone after 1 hour, flip the yellow tab on the EPIRB over completely until it clicks flat on the opposite side.	A strobe will flash periodically	The EPIRB sends a satellite emergency signal to NOAA & Coast Guard
Continue to call for assistance / monitor Channel 16		Coast Guard will call on Channel 16