

CSF Boat Check List

The following check list is intended to aid you in both setting out to sail and in properly securing and storing your boat upon returning.

Pre-sailing Check list:

Personal Equipment

- ☐ Personal flotation for each person (life jackets)
- ☐ Clothing to match the weather and wind also non marking shoes

Boat Equipment (R) = required equipment; (s)=suggested equipment)

Are the following on board and in their proper place?

- ☐ Audible Signaling device (R) , i.e. whistle, air horn.
- ☐ Throwable Cushion (R) Type IV
- ☐ Visual Signaling Device (R) i.e. mirror, shirt, bright colored cloth, etc.
- ☐ First aid kit (s)
- ☐ Tools (s)
- ☐ Anchor and line (s) (attached to mast)
- ☐ Towline (s) (attached to mast)
- ☐ Paddle (s) highly suggested
- ☐ Hand operated bilge pump (s)

Preparing Boat to Sail

- ☐ Check, wind, tide, weather forecast
- ☐ Look over the boat to make sure there is no damaged or broken parts
- ☐ Check to be sure shrouds are tight (should hum slightly when you pluck them)
- ☐ All Cotter rings taped (note: if tape is missing, is the cotter ring also missing?
If so the boat is not to be sailed till the cotter ring is replaced)
- ☐ Check that forestay is tight to the pull.
- ☐ Check that the scuppers are open
- ☐ Remove the bilge cover and pump out any water if the boat appears to be sitting lower in the water.
- ☐ Prepare sails, lines, Boom Vang, tiller, bumpers, lines,
- ☐ Check for visible water after removing the bilge cover.
- ☐ Pump out the bilge if needed

Post sailing Checklist:

Boat Mooring

- ☐ Boats are properly positioned
- ☐ Inboard boat properly secured to dock
- ☐ M line properly attached
- ☐ Bumpers in proper position so boats do not touch each other
- ☐ All lines in both boats neatly coiled and attached to mountings
- ☐ Jib neatly furled and covered
- ☐ Main neatly flaked and covered

Action if needed:

Notify Bob Barackman ASAP if you suspect a safety issue. Other issues: send me an email when you have time. Voice mail: 203-255-9977 or email: bobbar@optonline.net