

## Rental Boat Safety Checklist

### CUSTOMER COPY

Individuals renting a pleasure craft fitted with a motor are required to complete a Rental Boat Safety Check List.

Unless:

- They have a Pleasure Craft Operator Card
- They have written proof of completing a boating safety course prior to April 1, 1999
- They have written proof of nautical certification
- In the case of non-residents, written proof of competency from their own country.

Those required to complete a rental boat safety check list, must carry on board the co-signed (customer and renter) section of the Rental Boat Safety Check List as proof of competency for the duration of the rental.

**PLEASE INITIAL EACH BOX ON THE FORM AS THE SUBJECT IS COVERED BY THE RENTAL OPERATOR / OUTFITTER.**

### BOATING SAFETY RULES

- \_\_\_\_\_ I, the pleasure craft operator, confirm that **there are the appropriate number and sizes of approved Personal Floatation Devices or Life Jackets in the boat** for the number of people on board. They must fit and should be worn. I am aware that persons operating a pleasure craft without the appropriate number and sizes of approved Personal Floatation Devices or Life Jackets may be subject to ticketing and a fine.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I, the pleasure craft operator, am aware that **it is illegal to operate a pleasure craft**, or to permit others to do so, **when under the influence of alcohol**, narcotics, or barbiturates.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I, the pleasure craft operator, will **only allow people who have completed and signed a Rental Boat Safety Check List**, valid for the duration of this rental or have other proof of competency, **to operate this pleasure craft**. I am aware that persons operating a pleasure craft without proof of competency/age, may be subject to ticketing and a fine.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I, the pleasure craft operator, **have been shown how to use, and know the location of safety equipment** required under the Small Vessel Regulations. I am aware that persons operating a pleasure craft without the required safety equipment may be subject to ticketing and a fine.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I, the pleasure craft operator, understand that **pleasure craft fitted with motors must keep clear of non-powered pleasure craft**. I also understand that I am responsible for my own wake and wash and the effects that it can have on other pleasure craft, property, wildlife and the environment.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I, the pleasure craft operator, **when involved in an accident must stop, offer assistance and give my identity**.

## OPERATION OF THE BOAT

- \_\_\_\_\_ I, the pleasure craft operator, am aware of how to **responsibly operate a pleasure craft and to share waterways** in a courteous and respectful manner with others involved in all water-related activities.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I, the pleasure craft operator, confirm that the **maximum load capacity and number of persons** in the pleasure craft **will not exceed the amount stated on the capacity plate**. If a capacity plate is not fitted, the load capacity and number of persons in the pleasure craft shall not exceed the manufacturer's recommendation.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I am aware of the proper way to distribute weight in the pleasure craft for a safe and comfortable ride and **I will keep my passengers in the safest positions at all times** - always seated while underway.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I, the pleasure craft operator, **have been shown the proper procedure for starting and shutting off the engine** and will make sure no person is in the water within the vicinity of the pleasure craft before starting and while running the motor.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I, the pleasure craft operator, **have been shown and understand the operation of the throttle and gear-shift lever**.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I, the pleasure craft operator, know where and **how to operate the ignition cut-off (kill) switch**. While operating a Personal Water Craft, I will stay tethered to it at all times.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I, the pleasure craft operator, am aware of **how to depart and approach the dock in a safe and proper manner**.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I, the pleasure craft operator, am aware of **how to respond to grounding, capsizing, and re-boarding**.

## LOCAL HAZARDS AND CONDITIONS

- \_\_\_\_\_ I, the pleasure craft operator, am **aware of the local navigational aids and their meaning, as well as local hazards and local regulations**.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I, the pleasure craft operator, shall **maintain a proper lookout at all times for other boats, navigational hazards and changes in weather conditions** - changes in weather can occur quickly creating conditions dangerous to recreational boats.

Boat Type \_\_\_\_\_ Motor Type \_\_\_\_\_

Description \_\_\_\_\_

Maximum Number of Persons / Weight Permitted in Boat \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Rental \_\_\_\_\_ Duration of Rental \_\_\_\_\_

Customer Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Rental Representative's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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