

PRE DEPARTURE CHECKLIST



A SAFE TRIP IS A SUCCESSFUL TRIP

EQUIPMENT – ENSURE ALL ARE ONBOARD

- Personal protection equipment – 1 correct sized lifejacket per person, throwable devices, boarding device
- Boat safety equipment – oars, anchor, bailer, fire extinguisher etc.
- Distress equipment – flares, watertight flashlight
- Navigation equipment – sound signalling device, navigation lights
- Repair equipment – tools, spare parts – fuel filter, light bulbs etc.
- First aid kit – dry clothes, water, emergency rations
- Communication equipment – VHF radio, cell phone

MECHANICAL – ENSURE ALL ARE IN WORKING CONDITION

- Navigation equipment
- Powered devices
- Engines and fittings
- Bilge Pumps – manual and electric – should be clear of debris
- VHF Radio
- All hoses and belts

THINGS TO CHECK

- Batteries are charged
- All fluid levels are full – antifreeze, battery, oil, transmission, coolant
- Bungs are in place
- Enough fuel for the trip - 1/3 out, 1/3 back and 1/3 for reserve
- Hull/structure damage
- Oil/ water leaks

THINGS TO DO BEFORE DEPARTURE

- Get the weather forecast
- Check the ports.je website for the latest Notice to Mariners
- Check if any Navigational Warnings are in force
- Advise someone ashore of your intentions and No. of persons onboard

INFORM – ALL PASSENGERS OF THE FOLLOWING

- Location of the first aid kit
- Location of the distress equipment
- Location of PFDs and throwable devices
- Location of fire extinguishers
- Man overboard procedures
- Radio operations

