

Small Boat Checklist

Before climbing down to small boat items

Retrieve engine key and wrist strap from starboard quarter locker

Retrieve and check function of VHF handheld radios-located in nav station

Retrieve PFDs for crew from port quarter locker

“ PFD for victims in starboard quarter locker

Retrieve Go Bag from port quarter locker

Once in small boat

Insert and secure internal drain plug

Loosen external drain plug and check for water, then tighten

Adjust friction lever for tiller steering mechanism

Check fuel level in fuel tank

Open air vent if fuel cap has a manual vent

Check fuel tank and battery are secure

Check inflation level of floatation tubes and fill as required

Check equipment in forward seat/locker-foot pump, bailer, throw bag

Secure Go Bag on forward seat

Insert ignition switch and attach kill switch tab, attach lanyard to your wrist

Turn ignition to “on” position and check for lights in the Engine Alerting System on tiller, do not advance switch to the start position. You may damage cooling system if you do so. Turn ignition switch to off position

Push tiller to port for other descending Jacob’s ladder

End of day close out

In small boat

Remove inside drain plug

Push tiller to port

Reset tiller friction control to high friction setting

Remove ignition key and kill switch

Close air vent on fuel tank (if cap has one)

Remove Go Bag from boat

Place and secure fuel tank protective cover

Aboard Californian

Place Go Bag in port quarter locker

Replace radios in nav station container (make sure they are turned off)

Place ignition key and kill switch in starboard quarter locker hook

Lock port quarter locker