

SEAL OF SAFETY

COURTESY MARINE EXAMINATION

REGISTRATION/DOCUMENTATION NO. _____
 OWNER/OPERATOR NAME _____
 BOAT LENGTH _____ POB _____ YEAR BOAT MFG _____
 FUEL ON THE BOAT: GAS _____ DIESEL _____ OTHER _____
 BOAT USAGE: PLEASURE _____ COML FRT _____ 6 PAC. HIRE _____
 NOTE: (Passengers for Hire or Commercial Freight may require special additional equipment)
 STATE WHERE EXAMINED _____

OWNER/OPER TAKEN AUX PE CLASS? YES ___ NO ___
 FIRST TIME CME FOR OWNER/OPER? YES ___ NO ___
 OWNER/OPER INTERESTED IN JOINING THE AUXILIARY? YES ___ NO ___
 A BS&S CLASS? YES ___ NO ___
 A S&S CLASS? YES ___ NO ___
 TELEPHONE NO. _____
 DATE ISSUED _____ DECAL # _____

FAILURE ITEMS: (CIRCLE) 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23

 TEAR OFF

SEAL OF SAFETY CHECK LIST (To be completed by Your Auxiliary Vessel Examiner)

Subject	Yes	No	Not Appl.
1. NUMBERING (Proper spacing, contrasting color, minimum 3" block letters)			
2. REGISTRATION/DOCUMENTATION (Papers must be on board)			
3. NAVIGATION LIGHTS (Must operate and show proper configuration)			
4. SOUND PRODUCING DEVICE (Horn, whistle, or other device)			
5. BELL (Boats 12m [39.4 ft] or longer)			
6. PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICE (PFD) (One wearable for each passenger, minimum 2. Boats 16ft & over also one type IV)			
7. FIRE EXTINGUISHERS (Mounted, minimum for size & type of boat, HALON/FE241/CO2-current tag)			
8. VISUAL DISTRESS SIGNALS (VDS) INLAND (VDS, flag, signal light, etc)			
9. VISUAL DISTRESS SIGNALS (VDS) INTERNATIONAL (Minimum flares/aerial rockets or approved signals, not expired)			
10. VENTILATION (For closed compartments with potential for explosive vapors and an ignition source. Installed blower must work. Warning posted)			
11. BACKFIRE FLAME ARRESTER (Approved type, tight installation, clean)			
12. FUEL SYSTEM (Tanks secure. Tanks over 7 gal are considered permanent & must be grounded/vented. Hoses marine type, in good condition)			

Subject	Yes	No	Not Appl.
13. ANCHOR & ANCHOR LINE (Suitable for the boat and the boating area)			
14. ALTERNATE PROPULSION (Boats under 16ft. paddle, oar, etc)			
15. DEWATERING DEVICE (Pumps must work, extra manual bailer)			
16. OVERALL VESSEL CONDITION (Bilge & equip't area clean, well maintained. Not overloaded, overpowered, or no automotive parts)			
17. ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS (Batteries secure, terminals covered, well organized wiring, proper fuses/circuit breakers)			
18. GALLEY/HEATING SYSTEMS (Secure system, proper tank installation. No flammable material nearby)			
19. STATE REQUIREMENTS (Comply with all state safety requirements)			
20. MARINE SANITATION DEVICE (Approved device, overboard discharge sealed)			
21. MARPOL TRASH PLACARD (Boat 26 ft & over, written plan 40ft & over)			
22. POLLUTION PLACARD (Boat 26ft & over, w/machinery compartment)			
23. NAVIGATION RULES (Boats 12m (39.4ft) and over)			

ITEMS WHICH ARE NOT REQUIRED FOR THE CME DECAL
 The following items are not a requirement for the CME decal. These additional items are required under Federal & State laws. The Vessel Examiner has checked these items to assist the boater in determining if the vessel meets the requirements of these laws.

Subject	Yes	No	Not Appl.
24. CG CAPACITY PLATE (Visible, monohull power boats, under 20ft)			
25. CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE LABEL (Monohull power boats under 20ft, all boats w/installed engines, except outboards, mfg. after 10/31/72)			
26. HULL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (All boats mfg after 10/31/72)			

Note: This examination is not an official boarding for law enforcement purposes. For safety, any deficiencies noted should be corrected.

DATE ISSUED _____ DECAL # _____

Registration/Documentation Number _____

Owner/Operator name _____

 Signature of Examiner Member Number

Your auxiliary contact is:
 Name (print) _____

Phone No. _____

Additional comments:

This checklist is furnished for your information. There is no assumption of liability of any kind for either advice given or any opinions expressed in connection with this examination. By accepting the CME decal the owner agrees to maintain boat and equipment to the standards of safety exhibited during this examination. Please remove the decal if the boat is sold.

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A free Voluntary Service from the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary.

MEMBERSHIP IN THE AUXILIARY offers pleasure boaters the opportunity to join other skippers in further training, voluntary operations for and with the Coast Guard and the fellowship of boaters with mutual interests.

Know Before You Go

The Courtesy Marine Examination is one of several services performed by members of the Auxiliary, a civilian, non-military arm of the U.S. Coast Guard. Public Education classes are also offered by the Auxiliary. They include Boating Skills and Seamanship, Advanced Coastal Navigation, Sailing and Seamanship and youth courses.

To take a Coast Guard Safety Boating Class, call 1-800-336-BOAT or your local Auxiliary unit.

Award of a CME decal may qualify your boat for an insurance premium discount. See your agent.

Coast Guard Customer Infoline

800-368-5647

Call Toll Free
for Information

U.S. Department
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**United States
Coast Guard**

- Join the Coast Guard Auxiliary
- Information on boating.
- Safety recalls.
- To report possible defects in boats.
- To comment on U.S.C.G. boarding procedures.
- For answers to boating questions.
- For boating safety literature.

Additional Federal Requirements

- Capacity Plate
- Certificate of Compliance
- Hull Identification Number

These are additional Federal Requirements supplied by the manufacturer when specified.

EMERGENCY BOATING PROCEDURES

Before leaving the dock review these simple procedures

- Inform all passengers of emergency procedures - - - review this list.
- Identify emergency equipment: fire extinguishers and pumps.
- Locate ignition switch, power switches, fuel valves and associated equipment.
- Recommend each passenger wear a Personal Flotation Device (life jacket) while underway.
- Leave a float plan with a friend or relative.

Radio Procedure

- Contact the Coast Guard. Use channel 16 (Marine Radio) or call on Cellular Phone
- If equipped with a CB Radio call emergency channel 9.
- Give the boat name, registration number, radio call sign.
- Identify the boat by size, description and color.
- Give your location or compass heading to a known point.
- Describe the emergency - stay calm.

Leaks or Damage Control

- Put on Personal Flotation Device (life jackets), open deck hatches, look for leaks.
- Start bilge pump, get manual pumps or buckets.
- Shut off engine only if leak may be from engine hoses. If hull is damaged and engine is inboard (not stern drive), shut off engine, close sea cock, disconnect intake water hose, place end in bilge, restart engine to act as a bilge pump.

Fire or Explosion

- Be ready to go overboard with Personal Flotation Device
- Reduce air to fire area - leave hatches closed, close doors, shut off electric supply.
- Use extinguisher, if possible.
- Jettison burning material, if possible
- Use radio procedure above, calling MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY.
- Prepare to abandon ship, get signaling flares or flags, throw flotation material overboard.
- If you abandon ship, stay together, use distress signals when help is in sight. Gather additional flotation material around you.

Man Overboard

- Shout "MAN OVERBOARD" - continuously watch person in the water, point direction so skipper can maneuver to retrieve.
- Stop engine (propeller rotation) if person overboard is near the boat.
- Throw life ring, seat cushion, or marker light in area of the person.
- Don't jump in the water to assist.