

Know the Boat Preparations

* = Pacific NW Coastal supplied)

Safety – USCG approved

- Life preservers (1 per person)
- Fire extinguishers (sized to vessel)
- Throwable device (boat cushions)
- Flares (day & night, handheld & meteor – check dates)
- Horn, flash lights*
- First-aid kit*
- EPIRB, Handheld VHF, GPS*
- Dinghy, inflatable rowing raft*
- Survival suits*

Navigation

- Paper & electronic charts for waters navigated*
- Charting instruments*
- Reference materials (Coast Pilots, Light Lists, Tide & Current Tables, etc.)*
- Binoculars, hand bearing compass*

General Vessel

- Anchor, rode & chain (2 @ 300', sized to vessel)
- Manual bilge pump (sized to vessel) & 2.5 gal buckets
- USCG approved running lights
- Mooring lines (3 @ 25' or 2 @ 50', sized to vessel)
- Large fenders (4+, sized to vessel)
- Securing/lashing lines (1/4", 3/8" x 50'+)
- General tool kit – metric, standard, mechanical & electrical
- SS wire (25'), duct tape
- Electrical spares (wire connectors, fuses, tape, bulbs)
- SS hose connectors/clamps
- Sealant, lok-tight, hi-temp form-a-gasket, 5 min epoxy
- Misc SS nuts, washers, bolts, self tapping screws
- Oil absorbent sheets/pads (10+)
- Washdown gear
- Basic galley gear
- Manuals (all vessel equipment, owners & electronics)
- USCG licenses: vessel numbers, hailing port, user fee sticker, Customs user fee sticker, vessel registration, papers Documentation, Delivery Contract
- Approved MSD (head) – bucket acceptable if no holding-tank

Electronics

- FCC licensed – VHF, radar, EPIRB, AIS
- Confirm operation/accuracy – Autopilot, Radar, GPS, Depth Sounder, Knot Log, engine instruments, etc

Engine(s)

Engine(s) & filters serviced by Authorized Agent (100, 250, 500, 750 or 1000 hour service, -svcs. logs)
Spare water pump impellor
spare alternator/water pump belts
Spare fuel pump, 12v impulse pump, fuel line & connectors
Spare engine fuel filter elements (4/filter)
Spare primary fuel filter elements (4/filter)
Spare electrical connectors (#10-22, butt, spade terminals)
Spare lube oil filters (4)
Spare lube oil (3 changes)
Engine lube oil test kit (NC Machinery, 3)
Check/loadt test starting & ship service batteries (svcs. as req.)
Check fuel filters/tank -dirt, sludge, fungus, scaling, water (svcs. as req.)
Check cooling system (flush & replace coolant if necessary)
Check exhaust system (svcs. as req.)
Check all hoses, connectors, belts (scvs. as req.)
Check engine beds/bilge -(svcs. as req.)
Wipe down engine(s), beds, pans & bilges, & place oil absorbent sheets -check daily for leaks
Check engine(s) alignment, stuffing boxes
Maintain Engine Room Log -maintenance, supplies, repairs, & expenses

Steering

Check all steering stations for proper operation
Check hydraulic hoses, rams, filters & fluid levels & spare fluid
Check cables, sheaves & turnbuckles -lube
Check rudder post(s), packings -lube
Check quadrant, fittings

Rigging

Check all standing rigging, turnbuckles & terminals
Check all chainplates, tangs & mast fittings
Check all cleats, bits
Check all blocks, halyards & sheets
Inventory all running rigging & blocks
Spare cotter pins, tape, SS wire
Check sails -sail repair kit

Provisions

Water tanks -check water quality, hoses & pump
Basic foods - easy to prepare for heavy weather
Refrigeration / fresh food stowage issues?

General Notes**Predelivery preparation:**

- 1) General organization & prioritize projects
- 2) Test all systems
- 3) Engine & machinery service
- 4) Vessel equipment/gear inventory
- 5) Safety gear, USCG requirements
- 6) Necessary gear purchases, provisions
- 7) Repair major &/or essential items prior to departure

Underway:

- 1) General organization
- 2) Confirm electronics/nav aids accuracy
- 3) Stowage plan & stow gear
- 4) Non-essential repairs
- 5) Daily general engine & boat maintenance
- 6) Expect to run very long days (sunrise to sunset) w/daily predawn departures

Personal Gear:

- 1) Foul Weather suit, boots, hat
- 2) Warm Clothing & several changes
- 3) Shower kit & towels
- 4) Special needs, sunglasses & sunscreen
- 5) Expect cold, wet weather

Traveling through Canada:

- 1) Call ahead to clear customs at first opportunity before overnighting (no handguns or ammunition, declare firearms – request clearance for 1 week beyond expected transit time)
- 2) Limitations on fruits & veggies (e.g. no potatoes, apples, etc)
- 3) Top off fuel tanks before entering Canada
- 4) Post clearance number in port light/pilothouse
- 5) Monitor VTS channel while transiting Canadian waters
- 6) Call ahead to clear US Customs upon re-entering US waters