

BOATER EQUIPMENT CHECKLIST

Safety Equipment

- Type III or better lifejacket for driver & passenger(100 mph impact type recommended)
- Type IV throwable cushion, white with floatable rope
- Type B-1 fire extinguisher, fully charged
- Whistle
- Horn (electric or compressed air)
- Orange distress flag
- Flares or Coast Guard Approved Distress Light (not expired)
- Hand held flares (not expired)
- Anchor with 100' of nylon 3/8" line (stored in bailing bucket)
- Spare paddle
- Buckets, 2, for bailing
- First aid kit
- Scissors and knife

Extra Equipment

- Boat registration
- Keys (boat compartment key, boat ignition key)
- Spare keys (car ignition/door/spare tire keys)
- Dock lines, 2, 15' minimum
- Fishing poles and equipment
- Fishing net
- Fishing license
- Sunglasses, hat & sunscreen
- Drift sock and rope
- Dry hand towels
- Marker buoys
- Rain gear
- Balance beam
- Weigh scale (w/extra batteries), weigh-in bag and culling rings
- Toilet paper
- Spare trolling motor prop, prop nut, pin, pull cord and prop wrench
- 2 cycle oil

Check For Proper Operation

- Bilge pump (Should have 2 for fishing on big water)
- Horn
- Live wells
- Trolling motor
- Power tilt/trim
- Navigational lights, front and rear
- Kill switch
- Depth finder
- Batteries fully charged
- Batteries secured and terminals covered
- Fuel tanks full
- Oil reservoir full
- Boat registration numbers on boat hull intact

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Optional Equipment

- Compass
- Tool kit with spare parts (See below)
- Spare drain plug
- Spare spark plugs
- Ear plugs (wind protection)
- Appropriate charts, maps, logbook
- Food and beverages
- Extra clothing, jacket, hat, sunglasses
- Motorcycle helmet or face shield
- Superglue, duct tape, zip ties
- Lake maps
- Fizzing kit
- Livewell additive
- Towel, chamois and wax

Electronics

- Sonar/GPS unit(s)
- Spare transducer(s)
- Surface water temperature gauge (if not part of sonar)
- Speedometer option (if not built in)
- Engine temperature gauge (alarm may be too late)
- Engine water pressure gauge (works before temperature is a problem)
- Marine radio
- Cell phone
- Underwater camera
- Throwaway camera
- Electronics screen cleaner

Tools (In boat)

- Prop wrench
- Spark plug wrench
- Socket set
- Crescent wrench
- Pliers
- Hammer
- Screwdrivers (2 size slotted and 2 phillips)
- Jumper cables
- Assortment of spare fuses and extra in-line fuse
- Assortment of stainless steel bolts, nuts screws and washers
- Electrical supplies (connectors, crimping tools, multimeter, extra wire, etc.)
- Zip ties
- Electrical tape and super glue
- Flashlight
- Rags/towels

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Items To Carry In Tow Vehicle

- Boat cover
- Spare propeller
- 10W30 oil for car
- Radiator fluid for car
- Extra oil for boat motor
- Trailer registration w/inspection sticker
- Keys (house, spare tire, trailer hitch)
- Spare keys (boat ignition, boat compartments)
- Car registration, insurance card, drivers license, current inspection sticker
- Jack (trailer and tow vehicle)
- Spare trailer and vehicle tires
- Lug wrench (trailer and tow vehicle)
- Extra trailer bearings, hub, grease, etc.
- Spare trailer bulbs
- Wheel chocks
- Extension cords (2-3)
- Spare battery charger