

## HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS CHECKLIST TRAILERABLE BOATS



### 1. GENERAL HURRICANE PLAN INFORMATION

Persons/business to receive a copy  
Define stages of plan (e.g. storm watch, vessel preparations, vessel securing)  
Determine when each stage should be enacted. This will change depending on vessel type, location, and any storage contracts

### 2. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name  
Addresses  
Phone and pager numbers (include e-mail address as a secondary mode of communication)

### 3. VESSEL INFORMATION

Year, make, model, length  
Hull Identification Number (HIN)  
Motor serial number(s)  
Reg#/DOC# and boat name  
Boat present location (address, phone number, and information of key contacts)  
Insurance carrier  
Hurricane Club information (if any)

### 4. ALTERNATE INFORMATION

Name  
Address  
Phone and pager numbers

### 5. DOCKMATE/NEIGHBOR INFORMATION

Name  
Address  
Phone and pager numbers  
Boat year, make, model, HIN  
Exchange copies of hurricane plan

### 6. VESSEL PREPARATION

Complete vessel inspection (hull, deck, hardware, rigging, ground tackle, machinery, and electronics)  
Make copies of all vital paperwork (title, registration, insurance policy)  
Take images of vessel  
Inspect condition of trailer and determine storage location  
Create list of electronics equipment to be removed from boat  
Create list of windage and portable gear to be struck and lashed to the deck or stowed below and create a plan of stowage:

Deck gear	Deck boxes
Portable gear	Sails
Radio antennae	Dinghies
Outriggers	Bimini tops
Fishing chairs	

### 7. EQUIPMENT CONSIDERATIONS (ALL EQUIPMENT OF PROPER SIZE AND WEIGHT FOR YOUR VESSEL)

Extra line and chafing gear  
Anchors, chains, and rode  
Ground tackle, shackles, and swivels  
Plugs, duct tape, and sealant  
Fenders and fender boards  
Battery-operated weather radio  
Tie-downs and bungies

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### **8. VESSEL LOCATION (TRAILERABLE BOATS)**

Select location with least wind prone area (leeward of building) and away from trees and powerlines

Set blocking for trailer support

Design lashing plan for boat:

- Four directions

- Lashing to ground anchors or other fixed and sound objects

Strike windage/portable equipment list and stow according to plan

Lash down tillers, wheels, rudders, and booms

Remove listed electronics

Disconnect the battery(ies)

Secure and tape shut all hatches, ports, doors, lazarettes

Remove drain plug and ensure all deck drains are free of debris

Pump out any black and/or gray water holding tanks (refilling with water for extra weight optional)

Take photos of final preparations and place images with vessel paperwork

### **9. FIVE QUESTIONS BEFORE YOU LEAVE YOUR BOAT**

Have I safeguarded against environmental or sewage concerns?

Have I removed or secured all projective items and safeguarded against loss or theft?

Have I provided enough line and chafing gear to secure my vessel from wind, waves, and surge?

Have I protected my vessel from taking on water?

Have I chosen the best location that appears to be the best option available for my vessel?