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## CREW SAFETY BRIEFING

All crews must be given a safety brief before the vessel departs on a passage. The following is a suggested list of topics that should be covered.

The safety briefing should not be confused with the crew briefing concerning the sailing of the vessel. Skippers should also remember that they might be the crewmember that is incapacitated; they should make sure that at least one other crewmember can, for example, use the VHF radio.

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### 1. LIFESAVING EQUIPMENT

Lifejackets	Adjustment When to wear Individual allocation
Harness	Adjustment When to wear Individual allocation
Liferaft	Where stowed Check tied to boat How to use
Lifebuoy & danbuoy	
Heaving line	
Boarding ladder	
Man Overboard	Getting people out of the water

### 2. FIRE

Sources	Gas Electric Fuel Smokers Cooking
Extinguishers	Types Location How to use Gauges Minimum - 1 at each exit
Smoke / gas detectors	
Fire blanket	

### 3. DISTRESS

Sending MAYDAY and simple messages  
Flares and their operation  
Other distress signals

### 4. WATERTIGHT INTEGRITY

Seacocks, their operation and location  
Through fittings  
Stern gland - type and maintenance required  
Bilge pumps - operation and handles for emergency operation

## **5. GENERAL SAFETY**

Never run  
Never jump  
Anchor usage  
First Aid kit  
Wire cutters  
Emergency steering