

Safety Boat

Powerboats Kill

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Essentials that always apply



- Always keep yourself between the motor and any person in the water
- **Always wear your Kill Chord**
- Always wear your Life Jacket or Buoyancy aid
- Have Eyes in the back of your head, anticipate and be alert at all times
- Always drive at a speed that is less than you think is safe in the situation

Equipment on the boat



Check your country law but you should always have at least the following

Anchor	Towline Bridle
Tow Rope	Painter
Knife	Sound device
First Aid Kit	Duct Tape
Basic Tool Kit	Plastic Tape
Fire Extinguisher	Pump
Extra Kill Chord	Lifejackets
Paddle	Radio

Skills

Some important points to remember

- Crew briefing
- Starting procedure
- Hands on wheel and gear all the time
- Pivot point
- Momentum
- Slow speed manoeuvring
- Your responsibility and rights as a Safety Boat Driver



Skills Continued

High speed manoeuvring

- Pull Away
- Stop
- Turns
- Waves

Dealing with casualties

- Getting a person out of the water
- Stabilise and hand over
- First aid



General Rescue Procedure



- Approach at slow speed from weather side.
- Count heads and ask “how many people on the boat?”
- If all are accounted for ask if assistance is needed (if no stay close)
- If yes continue approach bow first and follow procedures to assist as needed
- If there is a person missing follow same righting procedures with the priority of righting the boat as fast as possible but keeping SAFETY as the highest priority remembering there is a person in the water.

Righting Capsized Boats



- Righting Single Handed Dinghies
- Righting Double Handed Dinghies
- Righting Catamarans.
- Rescuing Kites
- Rescuing windsurfers & kayaks
- Lee Shore Rescue

Practical

- Man Over Board
- Picking up a Mooring
- Slalom Course
- Coming along side and leaving
- 180 degree turn
- Righting boats and Rescue

Coaching and instructing

- Positioning
- Coaching on the move



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Presentations