

RIB Pre-Take Check List

If taking the RIB out, the following points provide a checklist to ensure the boat is 'good to go'.

Ideally the list should be addressed the day before departure to ensure a good start and should be carried out on both the main and the spare (donkey) engine.

1. Remove the external cover, wheel clamp, hitch lock and engine cover
2. Ensure tyre and jack wheel braces are available, check tyre pressures and ensure tread is legal..
Note: The spare wheel and road wheels have different sized wheel nuts.
3. Check the winch strap is connected to the front of the RIB
4. Ensure the safety chain/rope is connected to the front of the RIB
5. Ensure the rear ratchet straps connecting the boat to the trailer are tight and secure
6. Check the correct towing vehicle number plate is on the trailer
7. Connect the trailer jack plug to the vehicle and ensure indicator and brake lights are working
8. Check rear bungs in transom are secure
9. Check the brake safety cable
10. Ensure the transponder is in position
11. Dip fuel with graduated brush handle to ensure fuel tank full and pump primed
12. Check tubes are fully inflated – ensure bellows are available
13. Turn batteries on and check all lights and switches on the boat and bulkhead
14. Check engine transom bolts. Remove engine support and lower engine to vertical position
15. Check 2-stroke premix oil level and ensure funnel is available
16. Connect muffs to engine and run water through ensuring the tail trail is flowing and output water is cool – run for approximately 5 minutes.
17. Check the engine switch is operation and the kill cord fitted. Check location of spare kill cord.
18. Select forward and reverse gears, then return to neutral to ensure fully operational
19. Turn off engine and return it to the original position ensuring the engine is correctly propped
20. Replace bags over both props – it is a legal requirement that they are covered
21. Erect the aerial, check the radio – that it turns on.
22. Cross check the VHF radio with the handheld VHF
23. Attach the sonar/GPS , turn both on to ensure they start then turn off as it can cause damage to the transponder if left on whilst out of the water.
24. Turn the battery switch to Off, lower and secure the aerial

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25. Check the contents and operation of the O2 (Oxygen) cylinder and mask
26. Ensure the following are in either in the boat boxes or on the boat:
 - AFrame Box of tools including spare spark plugs/split pins
 - AFrame Box of flares within test date
 - Fire extinguisher within test date
 - Aframe First Aid Kit with supplies within test date
 - O2 set
 - 2 x small oars
 - 1 handheld VHF radio
 - Compass
 - 1 A-flag on pole
 - Anchor box contain sufficient spare warp, chain and types of anchor. Other lines for mooring or tying off e.g. spring lines, jetties etc, tell-tails and marker buoys for shot line

Fenders

 - 1 knife
 - Foot pump (bellows) for tubes
 - A plug-in search light
 - Throw line (in a bag)
 - Spare 2-stroke oil
 - Spare fuel for the donkey engine
27. The cox has completed a voyage plan
28. Dive logs are available
29. The crew have personal buoyancy devices, food, money, fresh water etc
30. Go diving, stay safe and have a great time

Name: _____

Date: _____

Notes / broken / missing: