

BOAT TYPE AND LENGTH	PERSONAL LIFESAVING APPLIANCES	✓	VESSEL SAFETY EQUIPMENT(SEE NOTE 1)	✓	VISUAL SIGNALS (SEE NOTE 2)	✓	NAVIGATION EQUIPMENT	✓	FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT	✓
Sail and Power Boats up to 6m (19'8")	1. One (1) lifejacket or PFD for each person on board		4. One (1) manual propelling device, OR		If boat is equipped with a motor:		7. One (1) sound-signalling device or appliance		11. One (1) 5BC fire extinguisher if equipped with an inboard engine, a fixed fuel tank of any size, or a fuel-burning cooking, heating or refrigerating appliance	
	2. One (1) buoyant heaving line at least 15 m(49'3") long		One (1) anchor and at least 15 m(49'3") of cable, rope or chain in any combination		6 . One (1) watertight flashlight, OR		8. **Navigation lights			
	3. *One (1) reboarding device		5. One (1) bailer or manual bilge pump		Three (3) flares of Type A, B or C		9. ***One (1) magnetic compass			
							10. One (1) radar reflector (See Note 3)			
Sail and Power Boats over 6m and up to 9m (19'8" - 29'6")	1. One (1) lifejacket or PFD for each person on board		4. One (1) manual propelling device, OR		6. One (1) watertight flashlight		8. One (1) sound-signalling device or appliance		12. One (1) 5BC fire extinguisher if equipped with a motor	
	2. One (1) buoyant heaving line at least 15 m(49'3") long, OR		One (1) anchor and at least 15 m(49'3") of cable, rope or chain in any combination		7. Six (6) flares of Type A, B or C		9. **Navigation lights		13. One (1) 5BC fire extinguisher if equipped with a fuel-burning cooking, heating or refrigerating appliance	
	3. One (1) lifebuoy attached to a buoyant line at least 15 m (49'3") long		5. One (1) bailer or manual bilge pump				10. ***One (1) magnetic compass			
	4. *One (1) reboarding device						11. One (1) radar reflector (See Note 3)			
Sail and Power Boats over 9 mand up to 12 m (29'6" - 39'4")	1. One (1) lifejacket or PFD for each person on board		5. One (1) anchor and at least 30 m (98'5") of cable, rope or chain in any combination		7. One (1) watertight flashlight		9. One (1) sound-signalling device or appliance		13. One (1) 10BC fire extinguisher if equipped with a motor	
	2. One (1) buoyant heaving line at least 15 m (49'3") long		6. One (1) manual bilge pump, OR		8. Twelve (12) flares of Type A, B, C or D, not more than six (6) of which are of Type D		10. Navigation lights		14. One (1) 10BC fire extinguisher if equipped with a fuel-burning cooking, heating or refrigerating appliance	
	3. One (1) lifebuoy attached to a buoyant line at least 15 m (49'3") long		Bilge-pumping arrangements				11. One (1) magnetic compass			
	4. *One (1) reboarding device						12. One (1) radar reflector (See Note 3)			

Footnotes

*Only required if the vertical height that must be climbed to reboard the boat from the water (freeboard) is over 0.5 m (1'8").

**Only required if the boat is operated after sunset, before sunrise or in periods of restricted visibility (fog, falling snow, etc.).

***Not required if the boat is 8 m(26'3") or less and operated within sight of navigation marks.

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Note 1 – Exception for Bailers and Manual Bilge Pumps

A bailer or manual bilge pump is not required for a boat that cannot hold enough water to make it capsize or a boat that has watertight compartments that are sealed and not readily accessible.

Note 2 – Exception for Flares

Flares are not required for a boat that is operating on a river, canal or lake in which it can never be more than one (1) nautical mile (1.852 km) from shore; or has no sleeping quarters and is engaged in an official competition or in final preparation for an official competition.

Note 3 – Radar Reflectors

Radar reflectors are required for boats under 20 m (65'7") and boats that are built of mostly non-metallic materials. A radar reflector is not required if the boat operates in limited traffic conditions, daylight and favourable environmental conditions, and where having a radar reflector is not essential to the boat's safety; or the small size of the boat or its operation away from radar navigation makes having a radar reflector impracticable.

Disclaimer:

Boating laws change from time to time, so make sure you have the most current information. If the *Safe Boating Guide* differs from the regulations, remember that it is always the current regulatory text that applies.

Remember:

All safety equipment must be Canadian-approved and there must be enough lifejackets that fit, have enough buoyancy and are in good condition for everyone on board your boat.