

## Safety First!

When an emergency happens, it is not the time to wonder... “Where is...?!”

For that reason, we are beginning to standardize where and how your emergency and working gear is stored on the boat.

The first phase is to put everything in the same location.

Starting now, you will find the following items in the same place on every boat:

- Flares/Flare guns
- First Aid/Band aids
- Hull Plugs
- Mallets
- Horns\*
- Winch Handles\*
- Fire Extinguisher – attached and visible, most at shin level
- Manual Bilge Pump (if not visible, check in seat locker/storage compartment on port side)
- Horseshoe Safety Buoy
- Life Sling
- Boat hook

Where is that place? Below deck, facing portside. When you stand in the middle of the boat below and outstretch your arms, everything will be within a few feet of you.

\*We ask that you put the winch handles and horns in the sink, and keep everything else on the port side when you are done. If no sink, put in white tub or cooler.

*#One exception:* please put **boat hook** on starboard side in the following preference: Velcro holder, shelf, seat.

Imagine: no more guessing. Same place, every time. When things go bad, where to find what you need is always the same.

As time goes on, we will be standardizing even more, but this is a good start.

We hope this makes your safety easier.