



Sailboards & Kiteboards

CSBC SmartBoater Checklist



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TRIP PREP:

- Marine Weather Forecast
- Float Plan
- Ensure Experience Level Meets Expected Conditions

Leave float plan with a responsible person.

Experience:

- *Be knowledgeable on how to right your craft should it capsize*

PACK:

- Lifejackets / PFDs
- Safety Equipment
- Marine Charts
- Good to Have Items

Inflatable PFDs must be worn to be legal. Kiteboarders and sailboarders should not wear a PFD that is fitted with an automatic inflator.

Good to have:

- *Sunscreen and thermal protective clothing appropriate for the water temperature*
- *Snacks and water*
- *Compass, Portable Marine Radio*

Be sure to:

- *Secure loose items*
- *Protect moisture-sensitive items in waterproof containers*

INSPECT:

- Board for cracks
- Condition of sail or wing

BRIEF PASSENGERS:

- Wear Lifejacket / PFD
- Duties including Keeping Watch
- Location/Use of Safety Gear

ON WATER:

Watch for:

- Hazards / Other Boats
- Cloud, Wind / Wave Changes

If a portable marine radio is available, check periodically for updated marine weather forecasts.

Watch for hazards, approaching storms and wakes from other boats

END OF TRIP:

- Close Float Plan