

Yachting Association Of New South Wales

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PRESENTATION OF A BOAT FOR INSPECTION PROCESS

Boat owners should be made aware of the Club's policy in relation to equipment audits and the following broad guidelines:

- Boat Owners should obtain an Equipment Compliance form from their club, YA office or www.nsw.yachting.org.au
- The owner or his representative should carry out the initial inspection and sign the appropriate box.
- Boat owners should make affirm appointment for an audit and they should be punctual.
- Necessary equipment should be laid out ready for inspection.
- The skipper and a knowledgeable crewmember should be on board during the inspection.

EQUIPMENT LAYOUT FOR INSPECTION.

All items required for safety inspection should be laid out starting Port Side aft commencing with the lowest rule number.

- Storm boards ready to put in place.
- Seacocks and plugs exposed, not hidden by equipment.
- Know the water and fuel capacities of your tanks.
- Fire Extinguishers taken from brackets so date tags can be sighted.
- First Aid Kits open and items with use by dates on the top so that expiry dates can be checked.
- Publications and charts on chart table.
- Emergency navigation lights with batteries fitted.
- Storm sails on deck ready to hoist with sheets attached.
- Radio tuned and ready to be tested.
- PFD's, harnesses, tethers and flares laid out.
- Radio installation inspection certificate.
- Life Raft Certificate.
- Jackstays rigged.

AFTER THE INSPECTION

It is the owner's responsibility to ensure that the boat continues to comply in every respect with the category the boat is competing in. Owners should remain familiar with the AYF Special Regulations and ensure that all equipment remains on the boat, is kept in good working order and that the equipment is replaced or repaired as necessary.

The onus is not on the race organisers, the Club or the Equipment Auditors to perform ongoing checks or to confirm compliance. The responsibility remains with the boat owner- the audit only verifies that the equipment is on board at the time of the inspection.