

## Raft Up/Docking/Anchoring



### Prepare

- Docking Lines
  - 1-Bow, 1-Stern (½ boat-length)
  - 2- Spring (full boat-length)
  - Usually stowed in Lazarette
- Bumpers & Fenders
- Boat Hook
- Spotlight

### Raft Up

- Radio *Raft Master* on Channel 68 as approaching the raft up
- When rafted ask permission to board and cross boats at the bow

### Docking

- Rig lines & fenders
- **Listen Only to Captain's Orders**
  - To catch or throw the lines
  - To tie *loop* or *bitter* end on boat
  - For which line & when to throw

### Anchoring

- Scope of line = 7 x depth
- Observe if anchor is holding
- Turn on Anchor Light

## Dinghy Prep & Boarding

- Running Lights
- Ditch bag w/ radio, flares, horns, light, first-aid
- 1-flotation cushion
- PDF for each on board
- Paddle, Painter & Bailer
- Fuel Tank & Anchor
- Board slowly, step close to center of boat, lower weight, scoot to seat

## You're Crew ~ not a Guest

- **On deck**, 1-hand on boat, walk on windward side, tidy lines and keep cockpit uncluttered
- **Perform** assigned tasks; ask Captain for instructions
- **Ask** permission to go forward to fore deck
- **Keep** galley & head clean, remove trash when you leave
- **Help** clean boat inside and outside when docked
- **Extended Sails** daily cleanup heads/beds/galley, minimum opening frig, conserve water
- **Extended Sails** be prepared for Watch and/or Helm duty
- **Extended Sails** share food, fuel, Custom fees, and dockage expenses

## SSSF Crew Tips

*For Crew Members of  
Sailing Singles South Florida*



- ✚ *Be On Time*
- ✚ *Be Neat & Helpful*
- ✚ *Be Prepared for Weather*
- ✚ *Pack Essentials in SMALL Bag*
- ✚ *Learn How to Use Head & Radio*
- ✚ *Understand Fenders & Lines*
- ✚ *Perform Assigned Tasks*
- ✚ *Conserve Water and Refrigeration*
- ✚ *Help Clean Boat When Docked*

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International Sails require Passport &  
Local Boater Option Card

## SSSF Crew Tips



### You're Going Sailing

- Make the commitment, don't be a "no show", arrive 30mins prior to launch, no unplanned guests, no time limits (If you're ill, call the Captain to arrange for a replacement.)
- Crew Chief contacts you for
  - assigned provisions
  - proportions needed
  - Captain's rules
  - Boat location and parking
  - Sailing itinerary
  - Extended Sail Expenses to Share
  - BYOB and Water
- Check Weather, pack small, soft bag appropriately; NO suitcases, NO wheelers NO electrical appliances!
- Pack Bedding for Extended Sails

### Once On Board

- Locate PDFs, First Aide, Fire Extinguishers, Ditch Bag, other safety equipment
- Stow food, drinks, bag, & bed
- *No Smoking* on most boats
- Prefer no phone calls in cockpit

### Learn to Use

- VHF Radio, learn channels: **16/USCG, 9/Bridges, 68/SSSF**
- Head & Faucets
- Electrical Panel
  - Running Lights
  - Anchor Lights
  - Navigation Instruments
  - Radio
  - Refrigeration
  - Water Pressure
  - Bilge Pump
  - Batteries
- MOB button

### Underway

- **LISTEN TO YOUR CAPTAIN**
- Identify your sailing skills
- Review MOB & Medical-Emergency
- Ask if drinking alcohol is allowed and Know Your Drinking Limit
- Keep 100yds from divers, diver-down flag/buoy, or swimmers
- Do Not Sit or Step on Hatches
- On deck at night underway: red lens lights only, no white lights

### Water Usage – Conserve - Conserve

- No *running water* to brush teeth, to wash dishes/hands or to shave
- Take marine showers

### At Anchor

- Tell Captain if you leave the boat:
  - Where you're going
  - When you'll return
  - How to contact you
- Return to the dock of origin on the same boat you launched
- Ask Capt. when swimming permitted
  - Never enter water until engine stops
  - Be aware of current and tide

### Notify Captain at any time

- leaking water or oil found on boat
- bilge pump frequently activating
- water pump on when not using water
- anything breaks or is found broken
- alarms sounded or any strange noises

### Crew ~ Small Soft Bag

- *Flashlight & Whistle*
- *Sailing Gloves*
- *Hat & Sunglasses (with lanyards)*
- *Sunscreen (non-oily)*
- *Swim Suite & Towel*
- *Snorkeling Gear*
- *Foul Weather Gear / Light Jacket*
- *Boat-Only Shoes (not worn on land)*
- *Motion Sickness Meds (taken night before and morning of)*
- *Can ginger ale (sip at sea if queasy)*