

Above Deck overview: Review all items on the deck, pay attention to the following:

- Check deck stanchions and lifelines.
- Check dinghy.
- Check life raft, make sure it is certified. *
- Assemble a "Ditch Bag" with emergency supplies if not included in life raft*
- Check anchor windlass, ground tackle and check operation of all components.
- Check wiper blades.

Below deck: Review all items that could leak or cause corrosion problems:

- Inspect and check operation of all seacocks.
- Inspect all hoses and hose clamps.
- Checkout bilge pump operation and alarm circuits.
- Check to make sure bilges are clean.
- Check for safety equipment, life preservers, fire extinguisher, etc.
- Check engine room automatic fire suppression system.

Engines:

- Check all fluid levels.
- Check raw water strainers.
- Check operation of engine alarm system.
- Check operation of generator alarm and shut down system.
- Check all belts and hoses.

Electronics:

- Check operation of all electronics.
- Check wiring for chafe; make sure all plugs are properly seated.

Electrical System Checklist:

- Check battery terminals and posts for corrosion and clean them.
- Make sure connections are tight. Batteries should be secured so they cannot move.
- If batteries are the lead acid type, top up with distilled water and recharge.
- Check the age of the batteries, if close to 3 years consider replacing them or have them tested.
- Inspect wiring for wear and chafe; check to make sure wiring is secured.
- Inspect bonding system for loose or corroded connections.
- Check all running lights, interior lights, etc.
- Test operation of smoke/carbon monoxide alarm.

Spare Parts List

Electrical:

- Check to make sure you have spare fuses for all your electrical and electronics. A good kit is to have an assortment such as West Marine #491902. Make sure you have spares for the electronics; often these use specialty fuses that are difficult to find.
- You should have a crimp on connector kit and crimping tools. West Marine #5349063 connector kit and a crimping tool, several are available.
- If you have an inverter/charger check for spare main fuses these will be either T or ANL type 150 to 300 amp depending on the size of the inverter.
- Spare breakers for the main panel, 10, 20 and 30-amp size.
- Spare bulbs for all navigation lights. Spare bulbs for interior lights.

* For Extended Offshore cruising



Mechanical Check List

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