# **Boating Guide** Albany Marine Safety





## Logging on and off

Skippers are advised to log on and off every time they go out on their boats with their nearest radio station. Typically a Marine Rescue WA group, Australian Coast Radio Monitors (ACRM) base or Water Police.

When logging on with a radio station let them know who you are, where you are going, when you will arrive back and log off on your return.

## Logging on procedure

Logging on is a simple process and you'll know you've told someone responsible when you're due to arrive back and they will take the appropriate action if you haven't called in by then. If you change your planned time, call the radio station again and advise them of your change in plans.

This is an example of the radio call and the details the radio station will need to help find you in the event of an emergency:

You say: Marine Rescue [Station Name], Marine Rescue [Station Name], Marine Rescue [Station Name] - This is [vessel registration (3 times)] OVER.

Marine Rescue will reply: This is Marine Rescue [Station Name] please go to channel xx OVER.

You say: Going to channel xx (Change to channel xx and wait for Marine Rescue to call you).

Marine Rescue will call you 3 times (vessel rego) and say OVER.

You say: Marine Rescue [Station Name] this is [vessel rego] I wish to log on and supply them with the:

- vessel's name, registration number or call sign;
- departure time and location;
- destination;
- trip intentions;
- number of people on board;
- amount of fuel carried; and
- estimated time of return.

# **SAFETY EQUIPMENT** REQUIREMENTS

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|          | Recreational Skipper's Ticket<br>The skipper of a recreational vessel,<br>powered by a motor greater than<br>6 horsepower must hold an RST.  |   | •                             |
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|          | Lifejacket Carriage<br>A lifejacket, as<br>indicated in the table  | Vessels<br>smaller than<br>4.8m                         | Minimum<br>MUST BE            |
|          | opposite, must be<br>carried for every<br>person on board.   | Vessels<br>4.8m and<br>larger                           | Minimum<br>MUST BE            |
|          | Lifejacket Wearing<br>As indicated in the  | Children<br>older than<br>one and<br>younger<br>than 12 | Minimum<br>MUST BE            |
|          | table opposite.  | Personal<br>Water Craft                                 | ✔<br>Minimum<br><u>MUST B</u> |
|          | Distress Beacon (in-date)<br>A GPS enabled 406 MHz EPIRB<br>OR<br>if worn by at least one person, a GPS<br>enabled PLB. Distress beacons must<br>be in-date and registered with AMSA.  |   | RECOM                         |
| <b>?</b> | Red and Orange Flares (in-date)<br>At least two hand held red flares and<br>two hand held orange flares must be<br>carried. <u>OR</u><br>Electronic Visual Distress<br>Signals (EVDS)<br>An electronic signalling device may<br>be carried in lieu of flares I <u>F</u> a GPS<br>enabled EPIRB or PLB (must be worn)<br>is also carried. |   | RECOMI                        |
|          | Marine Radio<br>A VHF or HF marine radio on any<br>Registrable Vessel when operating<br>more than 4 nautical miles from<br>shore in unprotected waters.  |   | RECOM                         |

## Logging off procedure

commended Additional

Safety Equipment

It is very important to remember to log off with the radio station that you logged on with, to avoid a search being initiated.

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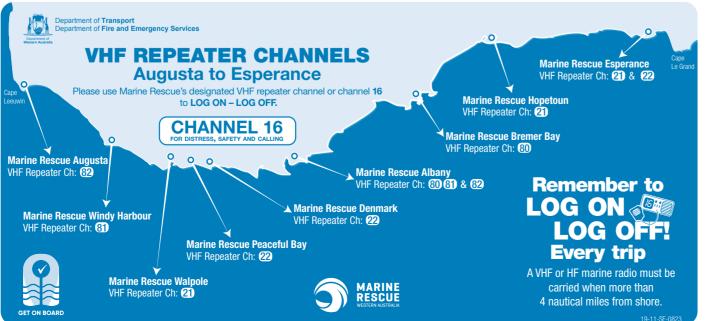
You say: Going to channel xx (Change to channel xx and wait for Marine Rescue to call you).

Marine Rescue will call you 3 times (vessel rego) and say OVER.

You say: Marine Rescue [Station Name] this is [vessel rego] I wish to log off.

VMR Station will say: Thank you for logging off.

You say: This is [vessel rego] thanks OUT.



Windy Harbour

### **Contact details**

### Department of Transport

Email: Ed.Boat@transport.wa.gov.au Website: www.transport.wa.gov.au/imarine Albany Office: 9892 7333 Marine Safety Hotline: 13 11 56

Police Emergency: 000 Albany Police: 131 444 Water Police: 9442 8600

Department of Fire and Emergency Services Marine Rescue Western Australia Emergency contact: VHF 16 - 82 - 81 Marine Rescue Albany

**Boating Weather Forecasts** Boating weather: 1300 815 916 Website: www.bom.gov.au



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## **Monitored Radio Channels**

| Marine Rescue Group | VHF & Repeater | HF         |
|---------------------|----------------|------------|
| ACRM Capel          | 16 & 80/22     | By Request |
| Albany              | 16 & 81/82     | 4125       |
| Augusta             | 16 & 82        | No         |
| Bremer Bay          | 16 & 80        | No         |
| Bunbury             | 16             | 4125       |
| Busselton           | 16/74 & 80/22  | No         |
| Denmark             | 16 & 22        | No         |
| Esperance           | 16 & 21/22     | 2182/4125  |
| Hopetoun            | 16 & 21        | No         |
| Mandurah            | 16/77 & 82     | 4125       |
| Margaret River      | 16 & 80        | No         |
| Naturaliste         | 16/74 & 80/22  | No         |
| Peaceful Bay        | 16/77 & 22     | No         |
| Walpole             | 16 & 21        | No         |
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