

Crew safety/departure briefing	
Yacht name	
Date	
Time	
Skipper	
No of crew onboard	
	Check
Today's passage plan	
Weather forecast/tide/Current	
Lifejackets – location, try them on (explain use of tethers and jackstays)	
MOB procedure and equipment (including MOB button and VHF channel 16 use)	
Safety Equipment locations, EPIRB, first aid kit, flares, fire extinguishers, through hull valve location, Gas Safety	
Hazards: Falling overboard, Boom and main sheet, winches, open hatches, hold on while down below	
Crew positions and procedures (starting main engine, reefing, gybing, headsail changes, heavy weather plan)	
Medical conditions onboard? (Identify medic onboard)	
Get Crew emergency contact numbers (next of kin)	

Notes/debrief:

Skippers are reminded of their responsibilities as per Part 2, 2.01 of the 2021-2024 YNZ Safety Regulations of Sailing:

“2.01 The safety of a vessel and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the skipper who must do their best to ensure that the vessel is fully found, thoroughly seaworthy and manned by an experienced crew who are physically fit to face bad weather.”