

Annual Boat Inspection Checklist

WSC				Field Office(City, St)			Date		
LOA		Vessel Construction		Vessel Type		Propulsion			
Engine Type		Engine Configuration		Engine Manufacturer			HP		
Port S/N		Hours		Starboard S/N		Hours		Controls	
Kicker Manufacturer				Kicker HP		Kicker S/N			
Local Boat Name				HIN #		Inspected By:			
USGS Inspection Requirements				Satisfactory			Remarks		
				Yes	No	N/A			
External Hull Condition									
State or Federal Vessel ID									
Through Hull Fittings									
Internal Hull Condition									
Bilge Area									
Capacity Plate									
Type IV PFD (16' OR >)									
Throw rope bag									
VDS-3 day night pyrotechnic									
Fire Extinguisher(s)									
Battery									
Master on/off switch									
Battery selector switch									
Electrical System									
Helm wiring, fuses, switches, etc.									
Engine harness									
Fuel System									
Fuel lines									
Fuel connections									
Fuel tank(s)									
Ventilation inboard, IB/OB engines									
Bilge blower									
Ventilation/blower hose									
IB/OB Backfire flame arrester									
Navigation Lights									
Running (red/green/all around white)									
Anchor (all around white by itself)									
Helm Controls									
Gauges operational									
Steering smooth, shifting smooth									
Kill Switch with Lanyard									
Horn									
Anchor(s) / Line and ground tackle									
Bilge Pump and/or Bailing Device									
First Aid Kit-amply stocked									
Tool Box-amply stocked/boat assigned									
State and/or local requirements									
Communication for Area of Operation									
Maintenance log									
COMMENTS									

Recommended / Best Practices*	Present		Comments
	Yes	No	
VHF Radio			
E.P.I.R.B.			
Compass			
Open water equipment			
Electronics			
Charts/plotting instruments			
Dedicated Docking Lines			
Fenders and Boat Hook(s)			
Extra Fuel, Oil and Absorbent Materials			
Spare Battery or Jumper Pack			
Spare Prop / Wrench / Hardware			
Paddles / Oars			
Kicker Engine			
Flashlight with Extra Batteries			
Search Light			
CO detector in enclosed cabins			
Extra VDS (mirrors, Die markers, Chem lights)			
Tow Line, Bridle and Hardware			
Ditch Bag / Survival Gear			
Binoculars			
Weather Radio / AM/FM Radio			
Instrument Panel lights			
Comments			
*Many of these listed recommended/best practices items become necessary depending on expected conditions and circumstances of a given mission.			