## VESSEL MINIMUM SAFETY REQUIREMENTS



|  | VESSEL LENGTH      |                               |                                |                                 |
|--|--------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| SAIL AND POWER BOATS (NON-COMMERCIAL REQUIREMENTS) [1]   | ≤ 6 m<br>(≤ 19'8") | 6 m to 9 m<br>(19'8" - 29'6") | 9 m to 12 m<br>(29'6" - 39'4") | 12 m to 24 m<br>(39'4" - 78'9") |
| PERSONAL SAFETY EQUIPMENT  |                    |                               |                                |                                 |
| Canadian-Approved Personal Flotation Device (PFD) OR<br>Lifejacket For Each Person On Board.                                       |                    |                               |                                |                                 |
| Reboarding Device If The Freeboard Distance Exceeds 0.5 M  |                    |                               |                                |                                 |
| Buoyant Heaving Line At Least 15 M (49'3") Long  |                    |                               |                                |                                 |
| Lifebuoy Attached To A Buoyant Line Of At Least 15 M (49'3") *Or Lifebuoy Equipped With A Self-Igniting Light                      |                    |                               |                                | *                               |
| DISTRESS EQUIPMENT   |                    |                               |                                |                                 |
| Watertight Flashlight  |                    |                               |                                |                                 |
| Flares - Canadian-Approved Type A, B, C Or D   | □ 3                | □ 6                           | ☐ 12<br>≤ 6 Type D             | ☐ 12<br>≤ 6 Type D              |
| VESSEL SAFETY EQUIPMENT  |                    |                               |                                |                                 |
| Manual Propelling Device OR<br>Anchor w/ Min. Rope/Chain/Cable Length  | □<br>15 m          | □<br>15 m                     | □<br>30 m                      | □<br>50 m                       |
| Manual OR Powered Bilge Pump *Bailer Allowed as Substitute.  | *                  | □<br>*                        |                                | ☐<br>1 Power req.               |
| NAVIGATION EQUIPMENT   |                    |                               |                                |                                 |
| Sound-Signaling Device (Whistle)   |                    |                               |                                |                                 |
| Navigation Lights If Operated After Sunset, Before Sunrise, Or In Periods Of Restricted Visibility.                                |                    |                               |                                |                                 |
| Magnetic Compass<br>*Not For Boats ≤ 8 M (26'3") & Always Within Sight Of Navigation Marks   | <b>□</b>           | *                             |                                |                                 |
| Radar Reflector  |                    |                               |                                |                                 |
| FIRE SAFETY EQUIPMENT  |                    |                               |                                |                                 |
| Fire Extinguisher - If Equipped With A Motor  * If Craft Has Inboard Engine, Fixed Fuel Tank (Any Size), Or Fuel-Burning Appliance | □<br>* Class 5BC   | Class 5BC                     | Class 10BC                     | Class 10BC                      |
| Additional Extinguisher If Craft Is Equipped With Fuel-Burning Cooking, Heating, Or Refrigerating Appliance                        | Class 5BC          | Class 5BC                     | Class 10BC                     | Class 10BC at each access       |
| Additional Extinguisher At The Entrance To The Machinery Space   | N/A                | N/A                           | ☐<br>Class 10BC                | ☐<br>Class 10BC                 |
| Additional Extinguisher At The Entrance To Each Accommodation Space  | N/A                | N/A                           | N/A                            | ☐<br>Class 10BC                 |
| Fire Axe   | N/A                | N/A                           | N/A                            | □ 1                             |
| Fire Bucket At Least 10 L Each   | N/A                | N/A                           | N/A                            | □ 2                             |
|  |                    |                               |                                |                                 |

All safety equipment must be in good working order, easily accessible, & maintained according to manufacturer's instruction. PFDs must be Canadian-approved, appropriate size for each person, & properly worn in small vessels or readily accessible in larger ones. Navigation lights required if operating between sunset & sunrise, & in periods of restricted visibility (i.e. rain, fog, snow, or smoke). Add'tl equipment may be required based on specific waterways, local regulations, duration of journey, weather conditions

1. Transport Canada. (2019). Safe Boating Guide - Safety Tips and Requirements for Pleasure Craft. https://tc.canada.ca/sites/default/files/2024-03/tp\_511e.pdf