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## **KNOW BEFORE YOU GO**

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Before you go boating, it's important to prepare to boat safely, no matter what kind of boat you are using.

### **GENERALLY, THERE ARE**

simple rules to follow to help you stay safe.

Remember to reference your own province/state's boat safety rules before you hit the water. If you need a license to boat, remember to carry it with you!



#### **Life Jackets**

Take them - wear them! Boats, especially ones under 6m in length, can sink very quickly. Wearing a life jacket increases your survival time in the



#### Safety Kit

You should keep a satety kit on board with items to tide you over if you run nto trouble.



#### No Alcohol

Safe boating and alcohol do not mix. Things can change quickly on the water and you need to keep vourself alert and aware.



#### **Marine Weather**

Weather on the water can be unpredictable. Check the local marine weather forecast before you go and expect both weather and water-state changes.



#### **Communications**

Take two separate waterproof ways of communicating to help find you if you get into any "hot water."



#### Skipper Responsibility

The Skipper (person operating the boat) is responsible for the safety of everyone on board and the safe operation of the boat. Stay within the limits of your vessel and experience.