

Before you Hit the Water



Safe boaters do a lot of work before they hit the water. Before you go boating you should:

- Gather your safety equipment.
 - Life jacket (that fits correctly)
 - Whistle
 - Water and food
 - Sunscreen and sunglasses
 - Bailer (to get water out of your boat)
 - Flashlight (if you get caught out on the water at night)
- Make sure your boat is safe and water ready
- Inspect your boat for holes, missing screws or rivets.
- Make any necessary repairs before going out on the water.
- Make sure the motor is in working order.
- Make sure you have plenty of fuel, paddles or oars, an anchor.
- Check the weather report before you go.

