

PIC COASTAL CLASSIC YACHT RACE - SAFETY CATEGORY 3



This is not meant to be an exhaustive list, rather it is a check list of the common items which need to be available and viewed during a Category 3 safety inspection.

Please consult the Yachting New Zealand [Safety Regulations of Sailing](#) for a full list of design requirements and description of items.

CHECK LIST	CHECK
Emergency Steering and alternative method. Spare tiller, spare steering cables	
Hatches and washboards must be secured. Cabin latch must be able to be accessed from above & below	
Manual bilge pump operable with all seats and hatches closed. Handle on a lanyard	
Four stout buckets of 9 litres or more on lanyards. Named	
Tools adequate to disconnect or sever rigging including hacksaw with 10 blades, hammer and drift	
Bosuns Chair (Light weight climbing helmet recommended)	
One heavy weather jib of 70%.	
Mainsail with reefing points able to reduce luff by a minimum of 50% or a trysail	
Sail Repair Kit	
"TURN OFF GAS" sign easily visible near cooker	
Adequate water for each crew member	
Emergency water in a separate container	
All heavy items including batteries must be securely installed	
Yachts name on all life jackets and lifebuoys	
At least 2 fire extinguishers in service, if dry powder minimum weight of 4 kgs. Fire blanket near cooker	
150 Newton life jacket for each person with crotch strap, light and pealess whistle. Service records.	
Double clipped safety tether for each crew	
Lifebuoy with drogue, pealess whistle and self-igniting light	
Heaving line	
2 emergency knives (one in the cockpit)	
Jackstays of 2000 kg breaking strain fitted	
2 appropriate anchors of compliant sizes with ground tackle	
Grab bag (see YNZ safety requirements) including VHF, etc	
First Aid Kit (Cat 3) with manual	
1 VHF installed and 1 handheld waterproof VHF. Tested. Radio operators' certificate (MROC)	
Radio Call sign Displayed	
EPIRB, registered with Maritime New Zealand	
Flares	
2 Waterproof flashlights. Recommend crew have their own head torches with red option	
Compass: 1 installed, 1 hand bearing, check light. Deviation chart.	
Charts and navigation equipment	
Mounted GPS	

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Depth sounder	
Log or GPS with independent power supply	
Navigation lights (working) and emergency nav lights with batteries, bulbs, etc (see YNZ regulations)	
Fog horn	
Safety equipment location diagram of yacht (example found here)	
Crew Briefing Checklist (template found here)	
Engine spares (filters, impellers, belts)	
Adequate tools	
Soft wood plugs attached or adjacent to all skin fittings below the waterline	
Documentation - relevant service certificates, beacon registration, MROC	
Note: The Coastal Classic yacht race has an exemption from YNZ Safety Regulation 17.12, which requires a life raft or an approved dinghy. If you intend to race under Category 3 in any other event, you must ensure full compliance with this regulation.	