# **BOAT LAUNCHING CHECK LIST**

#### BEFORE LAUNCHING THE BOAT TO RAMP:

- 1. REMOVE TRAILER BACK STRAPS
- 2. CHECK DRAIN PLUG BE IN PLACE AND TIGHT
- 3. TURN ON (VERTICALLY) MAIN BATTERY SWITCH
- 4. PUT BILGE PUMP SWITCH ON AUTOMATIC POSITION
- 5. OPEN GAS TANK VENT
- 6. CHECK FUEL HOSE QUICK COUPLING ON GAS TANK TO BE FULLY WAY BACK AND CONNECTED
- 7. CHECK WATER FILTER SEPARATOR DRAIN TO BE CLOSE (NO FUEL DRIPPING MUST BE OBSERVED)
- 8. CHECK FUEL HOSE CONECTION TO ENGINE TO BE FULLY SET
- MANUAL BULBE RUBBER PUMP UNTIL BULBE BECOMES HARD TO SQUEEZE
- 10. CHECK WATER FILTER TO BE FUEL FILLED AND NO DRIPPING OBSERVED
- 11. CHECK LADDER TO BE ON UPRIGHT POSITION AND FIXED

### WHEN ON BOAT:

- 1. MAKE SURE SHIFTER IS ON NEUTRAL POSITION
- 2. MAKE SURE EMERGENCY KILL SWITCH IS CLIPPED
- 3. TURN QUARTER WAY IGNITION SWITCH UNTIL A BEEP BE HEARD FOR 1 SECOND
- 4. TURN FULL WAY TO CRANK THE ENGINE
- 5. ONCE THE ENGINE IS RUNNING IN NEUTRAL CHECK FOR WATER STREAM GOING OUT FROM OUTBOARD. THAT MEANS THE ENGINE'S WATER PUMP IS WORKING PERFECTLLY.
- 6. CHECK THAT NUMBERS OF LIVESAVERS ON BOARD MATCH THE NUMBER OF PASSENGERS ON PLANNED TRIP.
- 7. LET ENGINE WARM UP IN NEUTRAL FOR A MINIMUM OF 5 MINUTES
- 8. CHECK FOR ANY ROPES HANGUING AND TAKE THEM INSIDE BOAT

### **NAVIGATION:**

- 1. BALANCE THE BOAT WEIGHT WITH PASSENGERS ON THE SEATS
- 2. SLOWLY START TO ACELERATE UNTIL BOAT PLANNES
- 3. ONCE BOAT PLANNES REDUCE SLIGHTY THE THROTLE
- 4. FOLLOW MARKING BUOYS AND CHECK FOR UPCOMING BOATS
- 5. CHECK FOR WATER COLOR CHANGES AND SHALLOW WATER
- 6. IF ENCOUNTERED WITH SHALLOW WATER TRIM UP THE ENGINE TO PROTECT PROPELLER.

## **LOADING ON TRAILER:**

- 1. UNLASH THE TRAILER WINCH STRAP TO A LENGTH LONGER THAN THE TRAILER
- 2. HOOK TO BOAT U-BOLT ON BOW
- START CRANKING THE WINCH WHILE KEEPING THE BOAT CENTERED TO TRAILER
- 4. ONCE THE BOAT'S BOW TOUCH THE FRONT ROLLER TAKE TRAILER OUT OF THE WATER
- 5. ONCE ON LAND, UNPLUG DRAIN AND SAVE PLUG IN A SAFE PLACE
- 6. TIE DOWN TRAILER BACK STRAPS
- 7. TRIM UP ENGINE AT 45 DEGREES
- 8. DISCONECT BATTERY SWITCH (HORIZONTAL POSITION) AND TAKE OUT IGNITION KEYS
- 9. TIE DOWN BIMINI TOP WITH COVER AND TAKE OUT BOAT SEATS TO THE CAR