

## Category 4 & 5 Checklist

This list is for advisory and self-assessment purposes only

**Note:** this is **not a complete list of items** required for a Cat 4 and 5 certificate and the inspectors may ask to see a lot more of your yacht. For a complete list please refer to the SAFETY REGULATIONS OF SAILING 2013 – 2016 (effective from 1st Jan 2013) – downloadable from [www.yachtingnz.org.nz](http://www.yachtingnz.org.nz)

By entering any Club race classified as Cat 4 or Cat 5 all M.C.C. skippers certify that they comply with the relevant safety standards.

#	Item	Cat 4	Cat 5	Check	Comments
1	LIFEJACKETS Type 402 or equivalent (in service), with pea-less whistle, reflective tape, for all crew, named (individually or ship name)	X			
2	A lifejacket with at least 50 newtons of buoyancy		X		
3	LIFEBOUY At least one, with drogue, pea-less whistle, self-igniting light, named	X	X		
4	SAFETY HARNESSSES Named, for 50% of the crew	X	X		
5	LIFELINES	X			
6	HEAVING LINE 16m x 6mm bright coloured floating line, floating weight on end	X	X		
7	1x BILGE PUMP Manual, handle attached with lanyard	X	X		
8	2x BUCKETS Of stout construction, 9 litres capacity, each to have lanyard	X	X		
9	TOOLS And spare parts, adequate means to disconnect or sever standing rigging from the hull. Tools shall include: Hacksaw with 12 blades, hammer and drift, bolt cutters	X			
10	HEAVY WEATHER JIB And sail repair kit	X			
11	TOILET Or fitted bucket	X	X		
12	TURN OFF GAS Sign at bottles	X	X		
13	2x FIRE EXTINGUISHERS With total weight at least 4 kg, serviced and tested	X	X		
14	WATER Sufficient water for all the crew stored in secure tank or suitable containers	X	X		
15	KNIFE Accessible in cockpit	X	X		
16	1 x ANCHOR, 40m rope & chain the minimum of a boat length, ready to deploy, but securely fastened	X	X		
17	GRAB BAG See regs and recommendation below *	X			
18	FIRST AID KIT See regs for contents (very important)	X	X		
19	Handheld waterproof VHF	X			
20	VHF or Mobile Phone protected from water ingress		X		
21	FLARES 2x red hand flares, 1x orange smoke day flare**	X	X		
22	1x white hand flare or spotlight minimum 500,000 candlepower **	X			
23	2x FLASHLIGHTS 1x floating, spare bulbs and batteries	X	X		
24	COMPASS Plus deviation card	X			
25	TIDE TABLES Local	X	X		
26	CHARTS For the area and plotting equipment	X	X		
27	DEPTH SOUNDER	X	X		
28	NAV LIGHTS Plus spare bulbs and fuses for same	X	X		
29	FOGHORN	X	X		
30	ENGINEERING See regs	X	X		

\* **Grab Bag** Required for all yachts (Keelboats and Multihulls) 1 x Small first aid kit suitable for liferaft - 2 x "Cyalume" light sticks or 2 x throwable floating lights - 1 x Daytime signalling mirror - 1 x Signalling whistle - 1 x Signalling flashlight - Survival blankets - Seasickness pills - Distress V Sheet or printed sail number on orange background - The Grab Bag shall float and have a lanyard attached. It is highly recommended that another form of contacting assistance such as a mobile phone in a water-tight bag be carried in the grab bag.

\*\* **Flares** should be less than three years old as reflected by expiry date.