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SEFSC Pelagic Observer Program
Vessel Safety Checklist

Trip Number:

Vessel Name:

Vessel Number:

Persons on Board for trip:

*Include Observer, captain, and crew.

USCG CFVS Decal Number:

Date of Issuance/Expiration:

*Circle one of the above.

***Is Decal Current*:** YES NO

*Is it marked correctly for pelagic fishing? Mark the sticker below to resemble the one on the vessel.

***EPIRB Cat 1Present*:** YES NO

*Visually inspect, only captain or crew are to handle epirb or housing.

Location:

Battery Expiration:

Expires on date displayed. .

Hydrostatic Relase Expiration:

Expires on date displayed.

NOAA Registration Expiration:

Expires on date displayed. See middle diagram on right.

Life Raft Manufacturer:

Capacity:

Location:

SOLAS A Rated: YES NO

Hydrostatic Relase Expiration:

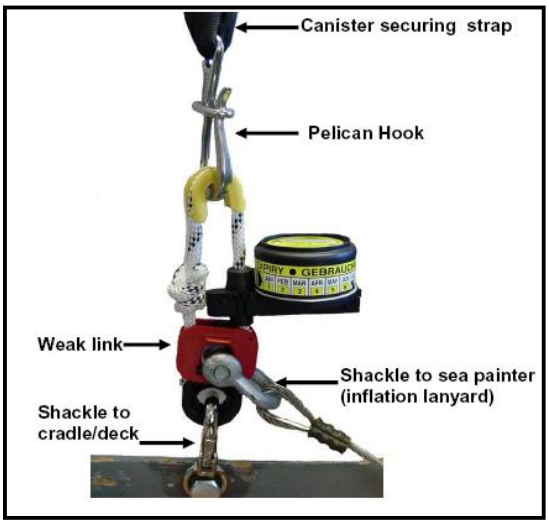
Expires on date displayed.

Service Date:

Expires on date displayed.

Is release properly set up? YES NO

See diagram to the right.



***Number of Type I PFD's*:**

Include POP issued PFD.

***Number of Throwable PFD's*:**

*24 inch ring bouy or Lifesling. 1 with 60 ft of line for vessels 26-65 ft in length. 3 devices for vessels >65ft, with at least one of them with 90 ft of line.

***Number of Immersion Suits*:**

Include POP issued Immersion Suit. Only above 32' 00 N Latitude.

Turn Over

Total Number of Fire Extinguishers: #		
Location 1:		
Charged:	**YES**	**NO**
Expiration:		
Location 2:		
Charged:	**YES**	**NO**
Expiration:		
Location 3:		
Charged:	**YES**	**NO**
Expiration:		

Flares: **CHECK EXPIRATION
Number of Parachute flares: (3)
Number of Hand Flares: (6)
Number of Smoke Flares: (3)
Location:

First Aid Kit Location:

CPR/First Aid Trained Capt/Crew (name):

** After completing this form, complete a thorough vessel check to your personal standards. Record any concerns below. If any concerns will delay the observed trip, contact the POP office immediately.

NOTES:

PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT STATEMENT: Information collected through the observer program will be used to: (1) monitor catch and bycatch in commercial and recreational fisheries; (2) understand the population status and trends of fish stocks and protected species, as well as the interactions between them; (3) determine the quantity and distribution of net benefits derived from living marine resources; (4) predict the biological, ecological, and economic impacts of existing management action and proposed management options; and (5) ensure that the observer programs can safely and efficiently collect the information required for the previous four uses. In particular, the observer program provides information that is used in analyses that support the conservation and management of living marine resources and that are required under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (MSA), the Endangered Species Act (ESA), the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA), the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA), Executive Order 12866 (EO 12866), and other applicable law. Most of the information collected by observers is obtained through "direct observation by an employee or agent of the sponsoring agency or through non-standardized oral communication in connection with such direct observations". Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) regulations at 5 C.F.R. 1320.3((h)(3), facts or opinions obtained through such observations and communications are not considered to be "information" subject to the PRA. The public reporting burden for responding to the questions that observers ask and that are subject to the PRA is estimated to average 50 minutes per trip, including the time for hearing and understanding the questions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to: National Marine Fisheries Service, F/SF1, 1315 East West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Providing the requested information is mandatory under regulations at 50 C.F.R. 600.746 for the safety questions and at 50 C.F.R. Part 622.8, 50 CFR 229.7, and 50 CFR 222.401 for the other questions. All information collected by observers will be kept confidential as required under Section 402(b) of the MSA (18 U.S.C. 1881a(b)) and regulations at 50 C.F.R. Part 600, Subpart E. Notwithstanding any other provision of the law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act, unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. This is an approved information collection under OMB Control No. 0648-0593 through 09/30/2012.

Observer Signature: Date:

Captain/Owner Signature: Date: