

DBSC RIB Driver Checklist April 2016

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| 1. | Helm and Crew | Helm must be RYA level 2 qualified and ideally safety boat trained. Both dress to stay warm with appropriate personal flotation. At least one person must be dressed to enter the water. Make sure the Race Officer knows you are there. |
| 2. | Fuel | Make sure there is plenty in the tank. Take correct tank for the RIB type – attachments are different. Return to fuel store afterwards. |
| 3. | Key and kill cord | Do a test start-up before launch. Use kill cord while helming. Return to boatshed afterwards. |
| 4. | Radio | Take a hand-held unless a built-in radio is installed and working. Do a radio check with Shore Control BEFORE launching – use channel 37 for this. |
| 5. | Paddles | Should have 2 in the boat. NB if a dinghy centre board falls out, a paddle can be put in the slot and used to right an inverted dinghy. Return to boatshed afterwards. |
| 6. | Boat Box | Should contain a spare kill cord, hence Humber and XS Boat Boxes should be different – and labelled as such. Return to boatshed afterwards. Boat box should contain tool kit, flares, 1 st aid kit and Bolt Cutters. |
| 7. | Anchor | Make sure it is in the boat and attached to a strong point before launching. |
| 8. | Throw line and tow line | Make sure both are in the boat. Tow line may be needed for towing a dinghy do not use a throw line for towing. Return to boatshed afterwards. |
| 9. | Helming | Make sure engine is off its rest before changing trim. Trim UP in shallow water and during launch and recovery. |
| 10. | After use | Make sure boat is well washed. Remove all gear except the anchor. After recovery, flush salt water out of engine by running for 2 minutes with fresh water running through cooling ducts. Update RIB use log and use it to record any problems with the boat you used |