

The Salty Guide

To Preparing Your Vessel for Delivery by Sea

Salty Yachts Australia



Dear Salty Client,

Thank you for choosing to have your yacht delivered with Salty Yachts Australia. We appreciate your custom and look forward to serving you.

1. HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

You can complete this guide either electronically, or manually (print, fill, scan, then save as PDF). Complete each section, adding comments that will benefit Salty and the delivery crew. Gather all required documents electronically (PDF format) into one folder and compress (zip). Return the completed form and all documents via a single email to salty@saltyyachts.com.au. Please send us an email if you're unsure of anything.

2. PURPOSE

The purpose of this guide is to provide clients with a consistent framework to provide Salty with required information and documents, and physically prepare their vessel for delivery by sea.

3. SCOPE

This guide applies to the client and their vessel. It may not be exhaustive as every vessel has their own peculiarities. If this guide has missed anything that applies to your vessel, please provide it.

4. RESPONSIBILITIES

It is the responsibility of the client to action this guide and return a completed copy to Salty prior to delivery departure. It must be completed with due care as the quality of information provided can affect vessel and crew safety. It is important to convey accurately any vessel defects so they can be planned for and remedied; not doing so may cause delay.

5. CLIENT DETAILS

ITEM	CLIENT TO FILL				
Client Name					
Client email					
Client phone					
Requires yacht negotiator? Negotiate for the best price. No sale, no fee.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	Unsure <input type="checkbox"/>	Send info <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	

6. VESSEL INFORMATION

ITEM	CLIENT TO FILL
Vessel Name	
Description	
Hull material	
Length	
Draft	

ITEM	CLIENT TO FILL					
	Own <input type="checkbox"/>	Don't Own <input type="checkbox"/>	Company <input type="checkbox"/>	Selling <input type="checkbox"/>	Buying <input type="checkbox"/>	
Ownership Select all that apply	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Insured	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No but will be <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>			
Registered	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No but will be <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>			
Registration type Commercial or recreational	Recreational <input type="checkbox"/>	Commercial <input type="checkbox"/>	Other <input type="checkbox"/>			
Vessel location Exact locations (marina, berth number, etc) and key location or combination.	Origin					
	Destination					
Timing	Depart before			Arrive before		
	Depart after			Arrive after		
Owner on-board for delivery	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Position on-board & quals			
Steaming speed Realistic economic speed (in knots) during an extended voyage, steaming 24hrs/day						
Fuel burn Total fuel burn per hour at service speed (if known: don't guess)	Main(s)			Gen-set		
Main engine(s)	Make, and kW/HP			Date of last service		
Drive type	Inboard <input type="checkbox"/>	Outboard <input type="checkbox"/>	Sail drive <input type="checkbox"/>	Jet <input type="checkbox"/>		
Propeller type	Fixed <input type="checkbox"/>	Folding <input type="checkbox"/>	CPP <input type="checkbox"/>	Other <input type="checkbox"/>		
Auxiliary (gen-set) engine on-board	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Make / kVA	Date of last service		
Fuel type	Diesel <input type="checkbox"/>	Unleaded <input type="checkbox"/>				
Fuel tankage Total fixed fuel tank capacity, not including fuel drums						
Fresh water tankage Suitable for drinking						
Auto-pilot	Fitted <input type="checkbox"/>	Not fitted <input type="checkbox"/>	Reliable <input type="checkbox"/>	Not reliable <input type="checkbox"/>		
Ships compass	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>				
GPS chart plotter	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>				
GPS unit	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>				
RADAR	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>				
Depth sounder Calibrated for Under Keel Clearance or actual	Fitted <input type="checkbox"/>	Not fitted <input type="checkbox"/>	UKC <input type="checkbox"/>	Actual <input type="checkbox"/>		
AIS	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>				

ITEM	CLIENT TO FILL			
ECDIS	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>		
VHF radio	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>		
HF radio	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>		
Thermographic (infrared) camera	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>		
Anchor	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>		
Anchor chain length				
Steering type	Hydraulic <input type="checkbox"/>	Chain & line <input type="checkbox"/>	Other <input type="checkbox"/>	
Number or helm stations / wheels	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>
Date of last vessel survey				
Date of last rig survey Sail only				
Sail inventory				
Sail plan / configuration e.g. fractional cutter-rigged sloop				
Furling main	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>		
Toilet	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>		
Stove	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>		
Fridge	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>		

7. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

All documents must remain valid for expected delivery timeframes. Gather electronic copies of the below documents, copy and paste them all into one folder, then 'compress' or 'zip' the folder (best for email).

* denotes mandatory

DONE	ITEM	CLIENT COMMENTS
<input type="checkbox"/>	Vessel registration certificate * Or Certificate of Operation	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Insurance certificate of currency * Including both hull/machinery and public liability coverage	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Written permission from your vessel insurer * Contact your vessels insurer and ask them to provide you with written permission (via email) for Salty Yachts Australia to take command of the vessel for the duration of the delivery. Provide your insurer with any details of the delivery they require, including a link to our website, in particular the crew section for a summary of our relevant qualifications and experience.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	EPIRB registration certificate *	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Proof of vessel sale * Only when purchasing; to prove that you are the legal owner	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Out of water survey documents Helpful if you have	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Service invoices For any recent maintenance or repairs	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Vessel inventory and specifications documents Helpful if you have	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Nautical paper charts Please organise <u>official</u> paper charts (not photocopies) for the entire voyage and stow them on-board. We recommend Boat Books Australia for all chart purchases (ask for express postage if required).	

8. SAFETY EQUIPMENT

Check your safety equipment. Ensure your vessel is equipped with everything legislatively required. The checklist below is only a general guide.

- Recreation vessels: as per the state of registration for offshore waters (published on state websites).
- Domestic Commercial Vessels: as per the National Standard for Commercial Vessels. Clickable links below.

Please take this seriously; this equipment saves lives, and the vessel can't sail without it. Any equipment that is expired or is un-serviceable needs to be replaced. Have a 'grab bag' (i.e. dry bag or waterproof container) ready with essential items.

[Queensland](#)

[New South Wales](#)

[Victoria](#)

[Western Australia](#)

[Northern Territory](#)

[Tasmania](#)

[National Standard for Commercial Vessels](#) (Domestic Commercial Vessels only)

ON-BOARD	ITEM	CLIENT COMMENTS
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lifejackets SOLAS, Coastal or PFD Type 1, with self-activating light, whistle and reflective tape - enough for all crew members.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	EPIRB 406MHz Ensure your EPIRB is registered, and the contact details are up to date. Check expiry date and test unit.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Life raft Ensure that the vessel is equipped with an offshore life raft that is suitable for the delivery, the number of crew and the operating area. Must be in-date and properly installed. If you don't have a life raft, we suggest that you either purchase one, or hire one from Great Circle in Brisbane . They are suitably priced, provide advice and will arrange freight to and from the vessel to make logistics simple.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Flares Sufficient quantity and in-date for entire delivery. 2 red hand plus 2 orange smoke as minimum; plus 3 parachute flares preferred.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Life ring(s) Self-igniting light, reflective tape and buoyant lines.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	First aid kit Suitably stocked. Often overlooked.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Satellite phone For coastal deliveries between Cairns and Melbourne, cell coverage is sufficient. For remote and International deliveries, we need a satellite phone. We suggest that you hire a satellite phone (a Google search will find plenty) and stow it on-board. Ensure that the plan is activated and make a test call).	
	Miscellaneous	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fire blanket	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Defibrillator (if fitted)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fire / bailing bucket(s)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	V-sheet	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sound signal	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Danbuoy (if fitted)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Weatherproof torches	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Emergency knife	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Inflatable dinghy/tender (if carried) Check serviceability, air pump, bilge arrangements, oars and patch kit	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Outboard motor (if carried) Check in good working order	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Jacklines rigged (if appropriate)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Life rails in good order	

9. VESSEL PREPARATION CHECKLIST

The remaining checklists are not electronic, they can be printed and completed by hand. Run through the checklist below whilst on-board your vessel, and check the box when complete. Operate everything on-board item-by-item. Any defects should be remedied by a competent person. Although preventative maintenance is an upfront cost, it often reduces cost across the entire delivery (and during ownership). So please don't skimp on the preparation.

DONE	ITEM	COMMENTS
	HULL	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Clean hull below waterline	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Check all locations that water might enter the vessel: hatches, cockpit lockers, rudder post, stern seal, through hull fittings, etc	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sound bilges and inspect for water ingress	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Swing all sea cocks and through hull fittings and ensure working	
	GROUND TACKLE	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Anchor windlass operational and electricals in good condition	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Suitable anchor and sufficient chain length plus spare anchor, chain and rode. Shackles and fittings moused with tie wire	
	STEERING	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Align twin rudders	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Inspect chain, lines, blocks, hydraulic lines, oil reservoir level, ram(s), oil bypass valve (if fitted) and all connections	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Check operation of emergency tiller arm or alternative arrangement	
	RIG	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Inspect all standing and running rigging: stays, shrouds, chainplates, mast fittings, swaged terminals, turnbuckles and masthead fittings	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ensure all sails, halyards and sheets are seaworthy (check for chafe and stitching)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Reefing arrangements working freely	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Operate winches (service if needed). Have winch handles	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Operate furling headsail	
	MAIN ENGINES	
<input type="checkbox"/>	General service: oil change, fuel filter(s), belts, impeller Check your 'quick quote' for 'expected operations hours'. If current hours plus expected delivery hours are greater than 250 hours, think about servicing the engine(s) before the delivery. Also, be reasonable; if the engine hours since last service are low, but elapsed time is high, a service is a good idea.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Clean raw water strainers, check siphon break and adequate raw water discharge	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Coolant level and cleanliness	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Engine oil level and cleanliness	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Gearbox oil level and cleanliness	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Engine mounts sturdy	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Start/stop procedure ok	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Gauges and alarms working	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Check fuel tank and filters for any signs of algae growth (if yes, clean tanks, replace filters, add fuel biocide)	

	BILGE AND FIRE	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fire pump and hose working	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Manual bilge pump working	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Electric bilge pump(s), strum boxes, float switches, non-return valves, ball valves and alarms working	
	ELECTRICAL	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Batteries in good condition: holding charge, batteries secure, terminals secure and electrolyte level ok (fill if needed)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Battery charging system working	
<input type="checkbox"/>	240VAC inverter working	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Breakers, emergency parallel switch(es) and meters working	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Navigation lights, deck lights and compass light working	
<input type="checkbox"/>	12VDC cigarette lighter outlet(s) working	
	NAVIGATION EQUIPMENT	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ships compass and compass light working	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Chart plotter operational, correct GPS fix and all required electronic charts on memory card for operational area	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Depth sounder operational (note if calibrated for under keel clearance or actual depth)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	RADAR operational	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Auto pilot operational and reliable for longer passages	
<input type="checkbox"/>	RADAR reflector fitted (beneficial)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Instrumentation: wind, depth, speed log operational	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Navigation lights working	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Perform radio check on ships VHF and HF (where fitted) and handheld VHF(s)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Day shapes on-board	
	MISCELLENEOUS	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Technical manuals on-board	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fill gas bottle. Operate gas appliances and check gas alarm and shut off valve(s)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fill fresh water tanks. Check fresh water system operation and clean pre-filter. Extra fresh water containers/bottles of fresh drinking water	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fill fuel tanks (add fuel conditioner if used)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extra diesel fuel containers (if needed)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Empty holding tanks	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Check toilet operation and toilet paper	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Check fridge(s) operation	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ensure adequate supply of spare lines, mooring lines and fenders	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Boat hook	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fresh water hose with connections/adaptors	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Shore power connection	

	GALLEY AND PROVISIONING	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Adequate cooking utensils: plates, bowls, cutlery, pots, pans etc.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cleaning items: paper towel, dish cloths, multi-purpose spray, rubbish bags, etc.	
	BEDDING	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sufficient bedding and linen for all crew members for use during the delivery is appreciated: pillows, sheets, blankets, towels, etc. Crew will generally BYO sleeping bag and bottom sheet	

10. TOOLS AND SPARES CHECKLIST

Most of our crew are also engineers, so we can remedy many defects offshore. Having a vessel that is well-equipped with tools and spares increases the chances that we will not need to return to port for repairs. Of course, requirements differ between vessels, but we've included a general list below. Think: Imperial and Metric; big and small; and anything particular to your vessel.

DONE	ITEM	COMMENTS
	TOOLS	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Battery drill + bits	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bolt cutters	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bosuns chair	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Funnel / filler spout / jiggle siphon	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hack saw + blades	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hammer(s)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hex key set	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mirror	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Multigrips	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Oil extraction pump	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pliers (flat and needle nosed)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pry bar	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Screwdriver set (Philips and flat)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Side cutters	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Socket set	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Spanner set (open end and ring)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Stanley knife + blades	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tape measure	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Electrical - wire crimpers, multi-meter, lighter, heat shrink, etc.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Various shifting spanners	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Vice grips	
	SPARES As per the machinery / equipment requirements of your vessel	
<input type="checkbox"/>	240V battery charger for use with shore connections	
<input type="checkbox"/>	5 litres of clean diesel fuel (for priming)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Auto pilot drive belt	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Battery clips	

<input type="checkbox"/>	Berthing lines	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cable ties - assorted	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Coolant (enough to refill entire system)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Duct tape	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Electrical connectors and heat shrink - assorted	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Electrical tape	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Electrical wire - assorted	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Engine oil	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fresh water pump	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fuel hose	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fuel lift pump	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fuel treatment / biocide	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fuse holder(s) and fuses - assorted	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Gearbox oil	
<input type="checkbox"/>	General lines - assorted lengths and thicknesses	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Globes	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hose clamps - assorted	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hydraulic steering oil	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Impellers (one for every raw water pump on board)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Methylated spirits	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mousing wire	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Navigation lights	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Oil filter(s)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Outboard fuel stored in a suitable container above deck	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Two-stroke oil	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Thread tape	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Plumbing and hoses - assorted	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rags and deck towels	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sail repair kit - sticky back tape, needles, whipping twine, palm	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Self-amalgamating tape	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Several fuel filters – primary water-separating and secondary – for mains and gen-set	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Shackles, blocks, bolts, nuts, washers and screws - assorted	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sikaflex (or similar) and caulking gun	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Silicone spray	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Spare fuel containers	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Toilet spares	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Underwater setting epoxy (i.e. Knead It)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	V-belts	
<input type="checkbox"/>	VB cord	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Water dispersant spray (i.e. RP7 or WD40)	

11. A FINAL WORD

This guide is thorough and requires significant effort to complete. So, **thank you**.

After more than 50 successful deliveries, we focus on three principals: thorough planning, crew ability and yacht condition. Completion of this guide helps us with two of these, which promote a successful delivery.

Our vision is to evolve the yachting industry. And you are helping us get there.

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