

Sea Kayak Check List

- * Kayak with flotation in bow and stern. All hatch covers.
- * Paddle
- * Deck bag

CLOTHING

- * Wet or dry suit
- * Flotation jacket, whistle
- * Spray skirt
- * Sun Glasses and glasses retaining strap
- * Hat, hood, neoprene skull cap
- * Gloves, poggies
- * Booties or boots.
- * Warm dry clothes, storm parka, rain pants, pile sweater, extra gloves, walking shoes.

GEAR

- * Food and water (warm beverage or soup is nice)
- * Dry bags, and mesh bags to carry gear
- * Dry box for cell phone, wallet, pocket knife
- * Carabiners to tether gear to boat
- * Sunscreen, sunglasses, lip balm, insect repellent, toilet paper, duct tape
- * Sponge for drying boat
- * Cockpit cover
- * Extra rope (to secure boat)
- * Hand-held water pump
- * Paddle float.
- * Towline
- * Closed cell sit pad

COMMUNICATION/NAVIGATION EQUIPMENT

- * Nautical Chart and waterproof pouch
- * Compass. A deck-mounted marine compass is ideal - readable in swells.
- * Tide and current tables - or copy all the information needed for your trip.
- * Marine transceiver and waterproof cover
- * GPS and waterproof cover
- * Cell phone

EMERGENCY/SAFETY EQUIPMENT

- * Waterproof matches, firestarter, and lighter (carry on your person)
- * 1st aide kit (carry "survival" mini kit on person). Space blanket
- * Knife
- * Repair kit for paddle and kayak

- * Flares (double bag, one pack on person), Mirror, Air horn.
- * White deck light, for night paddling
- * Headlamp/waterproof flashlight and spare batteries for all electronics and lights
- * Emergency flasher, for night emergency
- * Spare paddle

SPECIAL SITUATIONS

- * Tandem Kayak: centerline heel support, back support.
- * Binoculars / Camera
- * Helmet for use in surf
- * Consider kayak dolly / wheels