

EMERGENCY RADIO PROCEDURES

FILL IN THE NECESSARY INFORMATION BELOW

Speak: Slowly - Clearly - Calmly

- ___ 1. Make sure communications equipment is on.
- ___ 2. Select distress channels: **2182 kHz** or **16 VHF-FM (156.80 MHz)**
- ___ 3. Press microphone button. Calmly say: "MAYDAY - MAYDAY - MAYDAY, THIS IS THE _____, _____, _____, OVER."
(vessel name) (vessel name) (vessel name)
- ___ 4. Release microphone button and wait for acknowledgement. If no response, repeat Step 3.
- ___ 5. If there is no answer, or if Coast Guard or other vessel responds, say: "MAYDAY, THIS IS THE _____."
(vessel name/call sign)
- ___ 6. State your location twice (latitude and longitude, Loran, or range and bearing from known point, etc.)
- ___ 7. State the nature of distress.
- ___ 8. State kind of assistance desired.
- ___ 9. State number of people on board and if any injuries.
- ___ 10. State condition of vessel.
- ___ 11. Briefly describe vessel: Length _____, Type/Service _____, Color _____.
- ___ 12. Briefly describe type and amount of lifesaving equipment:
SURVIVAL CRAFT: _____, PFDs _____, EPIRB _____.
- ___ 13. Say: "I WILL BE LISTENING ON CHANNEL _____."
- ___ 14. End by saying: "THIS IS THE _____, OVER."
(Vessel name)
- ___ 15. If situation permits, stand by the radio for further communication with the Coast Guard or other vessel. If no one answers, repeat the above, then try on another channel.

