



Boat Safety Orientation

The information below is intended to help familiarize you with the safety features of our boats. Prior to leaving the dock your guide will give you a detailed briefing on your boat, its operation and safety equipment. While at sea your guide is your vessel master and is responsible for your safety. Your guide has received training in marine emergency duties and is in command of the situation should an incident arise. If you have any questions or require additional information, please ask your guide.

Life Jackets

Each boat has an approved life jacket for each person on board in case of emergency. Please ensure you know where the life jackets are located and how to put them on. As life jackets can be uncomfortable if worn for a prolonged period of time, we also provide you with a personal flotation vest (Mustang) that is only inflated when needed with a CO2 cartridge. To inflate your personal flotation vest simply pull on the tab at the bottom of the vest.

Naden Lodge requires all guests to wear their flotation vest (Mustang) at all times.

Boat Operation

In simple terms, your boat operates in a very similar manner as a car.

Starting Engines - The keys to the right of the steering wheel turn on the engines in a manner similar to a vehicle. As there are two engines there are two keys. Turn the key to the on position, wait 15 seconds, and then turn the engine over.

Steering - the steering wheel turns the vessel in the direction of your turn.

Accelerator - To the right of the steering wheel you will find two levers that provide power to the engines. As there are two engines there are two levers – the left one runs the left engine and the right one runs the right engine. Push the levers forward and the engines will go into gear and the boat will move forward. The farther the levers are pushed forward the more power to the engines. Pull the levers backward and engines will go into reverse. The farther back the levers are pulled the more power to the engines. When the levers are in a vertical position, the engines are in neutral. Always use smooth even motions when operating the levers to avoid sudden and unexpected movement of the boat.

Please note that the small engine (kicker) used for trolling has its own controls located near the captains chair by his knees that operate in the same manner as described above.



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Radio Operation

In accordance with lodge operating procedure your boat radio will be turned on and tuned to the frequency monitored by Naden Lodge and its fleet of boats. To use the radio hold the microphone four to six inches from your mouth, depress the button on the side of the microphone and speak slowly and in a normal voice. Release the button on the side of the microphone to listen. If you are in an emergency situation and receive no response on the lodge channel, switch the radio to Channel 16 - this is the emergency channel monitored by the Canadian Coast Guard.

Fire Extinguishers

Your boat is equipped with a fire extinguisher. Please ensure you know where it is located. To operate fire extinguishers pull the pin, aim the nozzle at the base of the fire, pull the trigger to activate the device and sweep back and forth across the base of the fire.

Man Overboard

In the event someone in your boat falls overboard, immediately grab the life ring and/or throw bag located on your boat and throw in the direction of the person overboard. If possible, ensure that someone maintains visual contact with the person overboard at all times. Steer the boat in the direction of the person overboard and slowly approach them. Throw heaving lines or other ropes to the person in the water. Prior to pulling the person in the water alongside the boat, put engines in neutral and turn off. Utilize the re-entry ladder located at the stern of the boat to bring the person back aboard.

Please be aware that wet decks are slippery and dangerous – use caution when moving around the boat.

First Aid Kit

The boat contains a complete first aid kit. Please ensure you know where it is located.

Automatic External Defibrillator (AED)

Naden Lodge has AED's located on all five of its boats. Please ensure you know where this device is located. Operating instructions are located with the device.

Flares and Air Horn

Your boat contains an air horn and flares to use as signals in case of emergency. Please ensure you know where these are located. Instructions for the use of the air horn and flares are located on the packages.