

## DEALER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

Your O'DAY dealer is a professional. He can provide you with the service and expertise that will help you to enjoy your O'DAY. Rely on him for assistance in selecting any additional equipment you may need and in seeing that it is properly installed.

The dealer will inspect the boat upon arrival at his yard. When the boat is commissioned, he will check all the systems and equipment and correct any problems that may arise. Should there be any defects covered by the O'DAY warranty, the dealer will correct them as soon as possible and file any warranty claims with The O'Day Corporation. All warranty matters must be handled by an authorized O'DAY dealer.

Should you need any parts for you O'DAY product, contact your local dealer, (who can obtain quick delivery from O'DAY), or call us direct at 508-678-5291 and ask for the parts department. By utilizing the dealer's assistance, you can be assured of receiving the proper parts and installation information as well.

The O'Day Corporation assumes no liability for damage incurred in transit.

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## OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

Every O'DAY is covered by our 1-year Limited Warranty (See Limited 1-Year Warranty sheet for further information) for one year after commissioning by the original retail customer, but in no event later than two years from the date of shipment by The O'Day Corporation. Always refer to our Limited Warranty for complete warranty information. Within 30 days of taking delivery of your boat, fill out the warranty registration card and return it to The O'Day Corporation. The U. S. Coast Guard requires that all manufacturers keep records of people who have purchased their products. This is necessary in case a defect notification or product recall is needed. The only way The O'Day Corporation can maintain these files is to have you send in the completed card. If you have any questions or comments, please include these with the card. We will get back to you.

The Blister-Guard (TM) Gel-Kote is furnished with a five-year warranty. Your owner's packet has a separate registration sheet for this warranty, which MUST be filled out and returned to The O'Day Corporation, in order to obtain performance under this warranty. Please fill out both this form and your warranty registration card as soon as possible after receiving your boat. If the Blister-Guard (TM) registration form is missing, please contact The O'Day Corporation as soon as possible.

When you sell your O'DAY, please drop us a note with the hull number, your name, and the name and address of the new owner.

It is important that you contact your dealer as soon as possible when problems are noted. This will assure prompt service and prevent the problem from worsening.

SAFETY NOTE

Due to the shoal-draft nature of the O'Day 280 and to The O'Day Corporation's desire to give you as much control as possible, the bottom of the rudder is close to the keel bottom. Because of this, under certain loading conditions, the rudder may become the lowest point on the boat. EXTREME CARE must be taken under these conditions to avoid grounding or other impact, which could cause rudder damage.

FOR SAFE BOATING  
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BE PREPARED

Take a Safe Boating Course from the Coast Guard. You can call 800-336-BOAT for information on courses in your area.

Carry all safety equipment required by Federal and State Law. Federal requirements are discussed in "Federal Requirements for Recreational Boats" which can be acquired from U.S. Coast Guard Office of Boating, Public, and Consumer Affairs, Washington, D.C., 20593. State requirements will come from your local State Boating Administration. The Coast guard also recommends: A first-aid kit, a pump or bailer, a transistor or weather radio, extra fuel, a paddle, anchor and line, and extra drinking water, also, if not a requirement, flares.

Get a Coast Guard Auxiliary courtesy Examination. This is a free, confidential, safety inspection. Call your local Coast Guard Auxiliary for details.

Be familiar with the use of distress signals and PFD's.

AVOID FIRES

Handle fuels carefully.

Read the engine owner's manual for proper fuel-system maintenance.

Inspect your engine's fuel system periodically.

Heed fire extinguisher regulations and keep them in good condition.

While refueling:

- a. Fill portable tanks on the dock.
- b. Tie the boat securely.
- c. Extinguish cigarettes and all flames on the boat. Turn off all engines and electrical equipment.
- d. Keep the hose nozzle in contact with the fuel can or fill.
- e. Wipe up all fuel spillage.
- f. Ventilate the engine and fuel compartment.
- g. Check boat for fumes.

FOR SAFE BOATING - Continued

BEFORE GETTING UNDERWAY

Leave a float plan: An example of a float plan follows:

Check the weather: Do not venture out, if the weather threatens.

WHILE UNDERWAY

PFD's should be worn by children and nonswimmers AT ALL TIMES. EVERYONE SHOULD WEAR THEM, IF CONDITIONS BECOME HAZARDOUS.

Do not operate a boat if INTOXICATED, FATIGUED, or STRESSED. These human factors cause 50% of all boating accidents.

Keep a good lookout: This is especially true of sailboats. Keep a watch to leeward UNDER the headsail.

Keep away from swimmers, divers, and skiers.

Obey State and Federal laws. Know your local laws and "rules of the road."

Respect bad weather: Try to get to shore, if the weather turns bad. Get and carry a radio with a NOAA "weather band" on FM 162.40-162.55MHZ.

IF TROUBLE OCCURS

Radio for help. Use the emergency VHF Channel; i.e., 156.8MHZ.

Put on PFD's immediately.

Stay with the boat. In cold water, huddle together to prevent hypothermia.

FLOAT PLAN (See next page.)

Make copies of this page and use one before each trip. Fill it out and leave it with a reliable person, who will notify the Coast Guard or other rescue organization, if you fail to return on time. DO NOT FORGET TO CANCEL THE FLOAT PLAN UPON YOUR RETURN.

FLOAT PLAN

1. Name of person reporting and telephone number.

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2. Description of Boat: Type \_\_\_\_\_ Hull Color \_\_\_\_\_  
Deck Color \_\_\_\_\_ Stripe Color \_\_\_\_\_ Registration # \_\_\_\_\_  
Make \_\_\_\_\_ Other Distinguishing Marks \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Persons Aboard Number \_\_\_\_\_  
Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Address & Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Address & Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Address & Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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4. Engine Type \_\_\_\_\_ H.P. \_\_\_\_\_ Fuel Capacity \_\_\_\_\_

5. Safety Equipment: PFD's \_\_\_\_\_ Flares \_\_\_\_\_ Mirror \_\_\_\_\_  
Flashlight \_\_\_\_\_ Food \_\_\_\_\_ Water \_\_\_\_\_ EPIRB \_\_\_\_\_  
Raft or Dinghy \_\_\_\_\_

6. Radio \_\_\_\_\_ Type \_\_\_\_\_ Frequencies \_\_\_\_\_

7. Trip Expectations: Leave at \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_  
Going to \_\_\_\_\_ Expect to return by \_\_\_\_\_  
and in no event later than \_\_\_\_\_

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8. Automobile License No. \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_  
Color and Make of Car \_\_\_\_\_ Parked at \_\_\_\_\_

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9. If not returned by \_\_\_\_\_, call the Coast Guard or

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Phone Numbers \_\_\_\_\_

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## COMING ABOARD

Here's a check list approach for your crew: (Not necessarily in order of importance.)

- \_\_\_\_\_ Check bilge for excessive water.
- \_\_\_\_\_ CHECK WEATHER CONDITIONS AND TIDES.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Check food supply.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Foul weather gear.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Linen, sleeping bags.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Fuel.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Water.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sun screens and sunglasses.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Tools.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Docking and anchor gear.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Check radio operations.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Navigation charts and instruments.
- \_\_\_\_\_ FLOAT PLAN TO A FRIEND OR COAST GUARD.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Fuel for stove.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Cooking and eating utensils.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Check battery water level.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Oil level, tight V-belts.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Check for loose electrical connections in engine room.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Secure tools or any loose equipment in engine room so as not to get fouled in engine.
- \_\_\_\_\_ AC systems off; electrical cord stowed.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Door and drawers secured.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Check rudder and tiller. Inspect pintles and gudgeons.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Check mast for rigging irregularities and tightness.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Halyards and sheets are clear and ready to run.
- \_\_\_\_\_ No lines or other obstructions near the propeller or bow.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Anchor ready to run.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Check lifelines for tightness.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Turn on fuel and water lines.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Stow all loose gear.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Open engine cooling water intake thru hull valve.

GOING ASHORE

- \_\_\_\_\_ Sails dry and stowed.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Fuel lines and water lines turned off.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Bilge pumped dry.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Wallet, jewelry, and other valuables are not left onboard.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Battery switch off.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Charger on. (If applicable.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Hatches and ports locked.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Topsides clean.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Appropriate thru-hulls closed.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Clean interior of food and rubbish.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Fenders in place.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Halyard secured away from mast.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Dock lines secured.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Loose gear stowed.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sails furled and covered.
- \_\_\_\_\_ All covers in place.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Main companionway locked.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Check in with whomever kept your float plan.

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