

ASA 106 “Mayday” Script

MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY.

This is [Your Name] on Sailing Vessel [Boat Name], [Boat Name], [Boat Name].

We are at Position Latitude [Number] Degrees, [Number] Decimal [Number] Minutes North by

Longitude [Number] Degrees, [Number] Decimal [Number] Minutes West.

Our boat is [Nature of the Problem].

We require immediate assistance.

We have [X] people on board, and we are boarding our life raft.

[Boat Name] OVER.

Repeat every few seconds as needed...

Abandon Ship Protocol

Step #1 “Prepare to Abandon Ship”

- Secure Ditch Bag & Relocate to Cockpit
- Prepare to Cast Life Raft Overboard on Leeward Side w/ Painter Attached to Boat
- Damage Control

Step #2 “Abandon Ship”

- Radio Mayday
- Activate DSC Distress Signal on VHF
- Activate EPIRB/GPIRG
- Cast Life Raft Overboard on Leeward Side & Inflate via Painter
- Board Life Raft & Secure Persons/Ditch Bag
- Avoid Sinking Boat
- Attend to Medical Issues

Tape this document near navigation station or on chart table.
Fill in pertinent information prior to casting off.