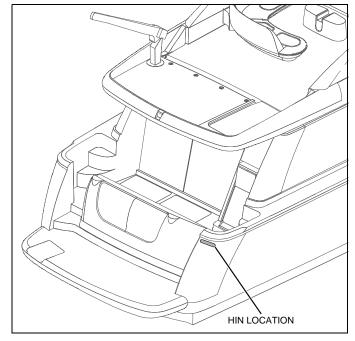
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Starboard Engine Serial Number: _	
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Hull Identification Number:	

#### **Hull Identification Number**

- The Hull Identification Number (HIN) is located on the starboard side of the transom.
- Record the HIN (and the engine serial numbers) in the space provided above.
- Please refer to the HIN for any correspondence or orders.



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The hazard boxes and symbols shown below are used throughout this manual to call attention to potentially dangerous situations which could lead to either personal injury or product damage. **Read** *ALL* **warnings carefully and follow** *ALL* **safety instructions.** 

## A DANGER!

This box alerts you to immediate hazards which WILL cause severe personal injury or death if the warning is ignored.

## ♠ WARNING!

This box alerts you to hazards or unsafe practices which *COULD* result in severe personal injury or death if the warning is ignored.

## **↑** CAUTION

This box alerts you to hazards or unsafe practices which *COULD* result in minor personal injury or cause product or property damage if the warning is ignored.

## NOTICE

This box calls attention to installation, operation or maintenance information, which is important to proper operation but is *not* hazard related.



















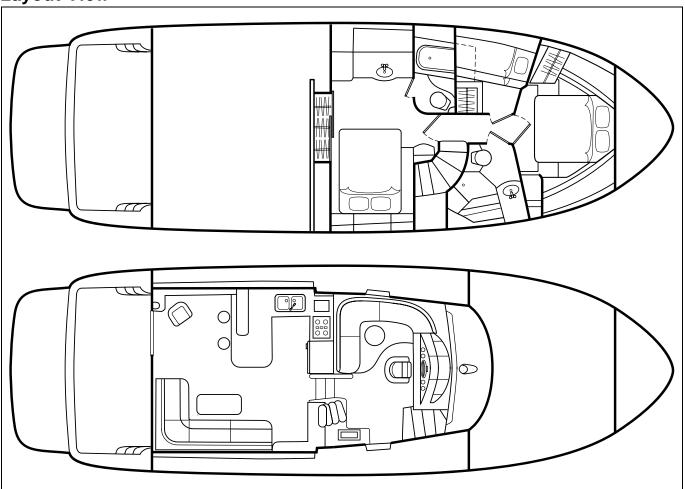
## **Chapter 1: Welcome Aboard!**

- This *Owner's Manual* provides information about your yacht that is *not* covered in the *Cruiser & Yacht Owner's Manual Supplement*.
- **Before** using your yacht, study this *Owner's Manual*, the *Cruiser & Yacht Owner's Manual Supplement*, and **all** engine and accessory literature carefully.
- Keep this *Owner's Manual* and the *Cruiser & Yacht Owner's Manual Supplement* on your yacht in a secure, yet readily available place.

**Dimensions and Tank Capacities** 

Overall Length	Bridge Clearance	Beam	Draft (Hull)	Draft (Maximum)	Fuel Capacity (gal.)		Waste Holding Tank Capacity (gal.)
56'	19' 3"	16' 2"	3' 3"	4' 10"	700	200	73

**Layout View** 





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#### **Dealer Service**

- Ask your dealer to explain *all* systems *before* taking delivery of your yacht.
- Your dealer is your key to service.
- Contact your dealer if you have any questions or problems with your new yacht.
- If your dealer cannot help, call our customer service hotline: 360-403-2198 or send us a FAX: 360-403-1158.
- Buy replacement parts from any authorized Meridian dealer.

## **Warranty Information**

- Meridian offers an Express Limited Transferable Warranty on each new Meridian purchased through an authorized Meridian dealer.
- A copy of the Express Limited Transferable Warranty was included in your owner's packet.
- If you did not receive a copy of the Express Limited Transferable Warranty, please contact your dealer or call 360-403-2198 for a copy.

## **Boating Experience**

## WARNING!

#### CONTROL HAZARD!

A qualified operator *must* be in control of the yacht at *all* times. *DO NOT* operate your yacht while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

If this is your first yacht or if you are changing to a type of yacht you are *not* familiar with, obtain handling and operating experience *before* assuming command of the yacht.

Take one of the boating safety classes offered by the U.S. Power Squadrons or the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. For more course information, including dates and locations of upcoming classes, contact the organizations directly:

- U.S. Power Squadrons: 1-888-FOR-USPS (1-888-367-8777) or on the Internet at: http://www.usps.org
- In Canada, for the CPS courses call 1-888-CPS-BOAT.
- U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary: 1-800-368-5647 or on the Internet at: http://www.cgaux.org

Outside the United States, your selling dealer, national sailing federation or local boat club can advise you of local sea schools or competent instructors.

## **Engines & Accessories Guidelines**

## NOTICE

When storing your yacht please refer to your engine's operation and maintenance manuals.

- Your yacht's engines and accessories were selected to provide optimum performance and service.
- Installing different engines or other accessories may cause unwanted handling characteristics.
- Should you choose to install different engines or to add accessories that will affect the yacht's running trim, have an experienced marine technician perform a safety inspection and handling test *before* operating your yacht again.
- Certain modifications to your yacht will result in the cancellation of your warranty protection. Always check with your dealer before making any modifications to your yacht.



## **Engine & Accessories Literature**

- The engines and accessories installed on your boat come with their own operation and maintenance manuals.
- Read and understand these manuals *before* using the engines and accessories.
- Unless noted otherwise, *all* engine and accessory literature referred to in this *Owner's Manual* is included in your owner's packet.

## **Safety Standards**



# DANGER! ROTATING PROPELLER and CARBON MONOXIDE

POISONING HAZARD!

- NEVER allow anyone to occupy, or hang from, the back deck or swim platform while the engine(s) are running.
- Teak surfing, dragging, or water skiing within 20 feet of a moving watercraft can be fatal.

## A DANGER!

PERSONAL SAFETY HAZARD!

*ALWAYS* secure the anchor and other loose objects *before* getting underway. The anchor and other items that are *not* properly secured can come loose when the yacht is moving and cause personal injury or death.

Your yacht's mechanical and electrical systems were designed to meet safety standards in effect at the time it was built. Some of these standards were mandated by law, all of them were designed to insure your safety, and the safety of other people, vessels and property.

In addition to this Owner's Manual, please read the Cruiser & Yacht Owner's Manual Supplement and all accessory literature for important safety standards and hazard information.

#### **Qualified Maintenance**

## WARNING!

To maintain the integrity and safety of your yacht, allow *only* qualified personnel to perform maintenance on, or in any way modify: The steering system, propulsion system, engine control system, fuel system, environmental control system, electrical system or navigational system.

Failure to maintain your yacht's systems (listed in the warning above) as designed could violate the laws in your jurisdiction and could expose you and other people to the danger of bodily injury or accidental death. Follow the instructions provided in this *Owner's Manual*, the *Cruiser & Yacht Owner's Manual Supplement*, the engine owner's manual and *all* accessory instruction sheets and manuals.

## **Special Care For Moored Boats**

## NOTICE

- To help seal the hull bottom and reduce the possibility of gelcoat blistering on moored yachts, apply an epoxy barrier coating. The barrier coating should be covered with several coats of anti-fouling paint.
- Many states regulate the chemical content of bottom paints in order to meet environmental standards. Check with your local dealer about recommended bottom paints, and about the laws in effect in your area.
- Whether moored in saltwater or freshwater, your yacht will collect marine growth on its hull bottom.
- This will detract from the yacht's beauty, greatly affect its performance and may damage the gelcoat.
- There are two methods of slowing marine growth:
- 1. Periodically haul the yacht out of the water and scrub the hull bottom with a bristle brush and a solution of soap and water.
- 2. Occasionally re-paint the hull below the waterline with a good grade of anti-fouling paint.

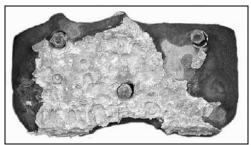
#### Sacrificial Anodes (Zincs)

#### NOTICE

Do not paint between the zinc and the metal surface it contacts and do not paint over the zincs.



**NEW SACRIFICIAL ANODE** 



DETERIORATED SACRIFICIAL ANODE

Your yacht features sacrificial anodes (zincs) to protect underwater metal parts from excessive deterioration. Check the zincs regularly and replace them if they have deteriorated more than 70%.

There are many factors that affect the rate at which the zincs deteriorate, including:

- Water temperature
- Salinity
- Water pollution

Stray electrical current from the yacht or dock may cause complete deterioration in just a few weeks. If there is rapid zinc deterioration, measure the electrolytic corrosion around your yacht with a corrosion test meter. If the zincs are *not* bonded correctly, they *will not* provide protection.

#### Structural Limitations

The command bridge is designed to be lightweight for proper yacht balance. The load limit for this platform is 30 pounds per square foot, evenly distributed.

## **Boat Lifting**

## **A** WARNING!

PERSONAL INJURY and /or PRODUCT OR PROPERTY DAMAGE HAZARD!

- Lifting slings may slip on the hull.
- Avoid serious injury or death by securing the lifting slings together before lifting.

## ♠ WARNING!

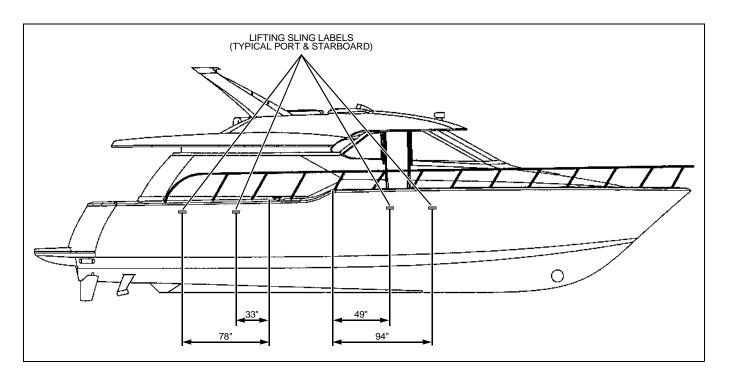
PERSONAL INJURY and /or PRODUCT OR PROPERTY DAMAGE HAZARD!

• NEVER lift the yacht using the bow and stern eyes.

## /! CAUTION!

PRODUCT or PROPERTY DAMAGE HAZARD!

• When lifting any yacht, *always* use a spreader bar. The spreader bar *must* be equal to the width of the yacht at each lifting point.



- Always follow the lift equipment's instructions and requirements.
- Water in the bilge can shift and change the balance of the load.
- If water is present in the bilge, pump or drain the water out of the bilge areas *before* lifting your yacht.
- When lifting your yacht, *always* position the lifting slings at the port and starboard, lifting sling label positions, as shown in the illustration.

## Carbon Monoxide (CO)

## A DANGER!



- Carbon monoxide gas (CO) is colorless, odorless, tasteless, and extremely dangerous.
- All engines, generators, and fuel burning appliances produce CO as exhaust.
- Prolonged exposure to low concentrations or very quick exposure to high concentrations will cause BRAIN DAMAGE or DEATH.
- Teak surfing, dragging, or water skiing within 20 feet of a moving watercraft can be fatal.

#### Facts about CO

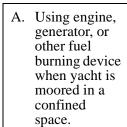
- CO poisoning causes a significant number of boating deaths each year.
- Called the "silent killer", CO is an extremely toxic, colorless, odorless and tasteless gas.
- CO can harm or even kill you inside or outside your yacht.
- CO can affect you whether you're underway, moored, or anchored.
- CO symptoms are similar to seasickness or alcohol intoxication.
- CO can make you sick in seconds. In high enough concentrations, even a few breaths can be fatal.
- Breathing CO blocks the ability of your blood to carry oxygen.
- The effects are cumulative, even low levels of exposure can result in injury or death.

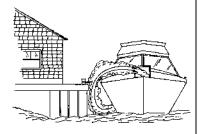
#### Factors That Increase the Effects of CO Poisoning

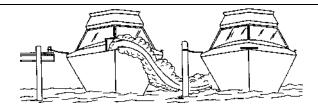
- Age
- Smokers or people exposed to high concentrations of cigarette smoke
- Consumption of alcohol
- Lung disorders
- Heart problems
- Pregnancy

#### Where and How CO Can Accumulate

#### Stationary Conditions That Increase CO Accumulations Include:





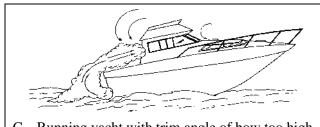


B. Mooring too close to another boat that is using its engine, generator, or other fuel burning device.

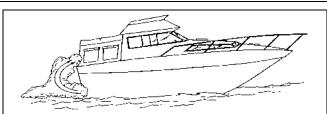
#### To correct stationary situations A and/or B:

- *Close all* windows, portlights and hatches.
- If possible, move your yacht away from source of CO.

#### Running Conditions That Increase CO Accumulations Include:



C. Running yacht with trim angle of bow too high.



Running yacht without through ventilation (station wagon effect).

#### To correct running situations C and/or D:

- Trim bow down.
- *Open* windows and canvas.
- When possible, run yacht so that prevailing winds help dissipate exhaust.

#### How to Protect Yourself and Others From CO

- Know where and how CO may accumulate in and around your yacht (see above).
- Maintain fresh air circulation throughout the yacht at *all* times.
- Know where your engine and generator exhaust outlets are located and keep everyone away from these areas.
- **Never** sit on, or hang onto, the back deck or swim platform while the engine(s) are running.
- *Never* enter the areas under swim platforms where exhaust outlets are located.
- Although CO can be present without the smell of exhaust fumes, if exhaust fumes are detected on the yacht, take *immediate* action to dissipate these fumes.
- Treat symptoms of seasickness as possible CO poisoning. Get the person into fresh air *immediately*. Seek medical attention—unless you're sure it's not CO.
- Install and maintain CO alarms inside your yacht. **Do not** ignore any alarm. Replace alarms as recommended by the alarm manufacturer.
- Follow the checklists provided on the next page.
- Get a Vessel Safety Check.

For information on how to get a free VESSEL SAFETY CHECK, visit www.vesselsafetycheck.org or contact your local U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary or United States Power Squadrons®.

- U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary: 1-800-368-5647 or on the Internet at: http://www.cgaux.org
- U.S. Power Squadrons: 1-888-FOR-USPS (1-888-367-8777) or on the Internet at: http://www.usps.org

#### Trip Checklist

	Make sure you	know where	the exhaust	outlets are	located on	your yacht	
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- ☐ Educate *all* passengers about the symptoms of CO poisoning and where CO may accumulate.
- ☐ When docked, or rafted with another boat, be aware of exhaust emissions from the other boat.
- ☐ Confirm that water flows from the exhaust outlet when the engines and generator are started.
- ☐ Listen for any change in exhaust sound, which could indicate an exhaust component failure.
- Test the operation of each CO alarm by pressing the test button.

#### Monthly Checklist

- ☐ Make sure *all* exhaust clamps are in place and secure.
- ☐ Look for exhaust leaking from exhaust system components. Signs include rust and/or black streaking, water leaks, or corroded or cracked fittings.
- ☐ Inspect rubber exhaust hoses for burned, cracked, or deteriorated sections. *All* rubber hoses should be pliable and free of kinks.

#### Annual Checklist

#### Have a Qualified Marine Technician:

- Replace exhaust hoses if cracking, charring, or deterioration is found.
- ☐ Ensure that your engines and generators are properly tuned, and well maintained.
- ☐ Inspect each water pump impeller and the water pump housing. Replace if worn. Make sure cooling systems are in working condition.
- Inspect *all* metal exhaust parts for cracking, rusting, leaking, or loosening and check the cylinder head gasket, exhaust manifold, water injection elbow, and the threaded adapter nipple between the manifold and the elbow.
- ☐ Clean, inspect, and confirm proper operation of the generator cooling water anti-siphon valve (if equipped).

#### Carbon Monoxide Alarm System

## A DANGER!



#### CARBON MONOXIDE POISONING HAZARD!

- The house battery switch *must* be in the *On* position for the CO Monitors to work.
- If your yacht will be unattended for an extended period of time, turn *Off* the house battery or the CO Monitors *will* drain the house battery.

## NOTICE

The stereo memory and CO monitor(s) place a small, but constant drain on the battery. If your yacht will be unattended for an extended amount of time, plug into shore power with the battery charger turned On, or disconnect the battery if shore power is not an option.

- Your yacht features a carbon monoxide (CO) alarm system.
- **Do not** disconnect the alarm system.
- Read and understand the manufacturer's instructions for your CO alarm system. If you did *not* receive an instruction manual, call (800) 383-0269 and one will be mailed to you.

If your yacht is *not* equipped with a carbon monoxide alarm, consider purchasing one from your dealer or marine supply store.

#### More Information

For more information about how you can prevent carbon monoxide poisoning on recreational boats and other ways to boat more safely, contact:

United States Coast Guard Office of Boating Safety (G-OPB-3) 2100 Second Street SW Washington, DC 20593 www.uscgboating.org 1-800-368-5647

National Marine Manufacturers Association (NMMA) 200 East Randolph Drive Suite 5100 Chicago, IL 60601-9301 www.nmma.org 312-946-6200 American Boat & Yacht Council, Inc. (ABYC)
3069 Solomon's Island Road
Edgewater, MD 21037-1416
www.abycinc.org
410-956-1050

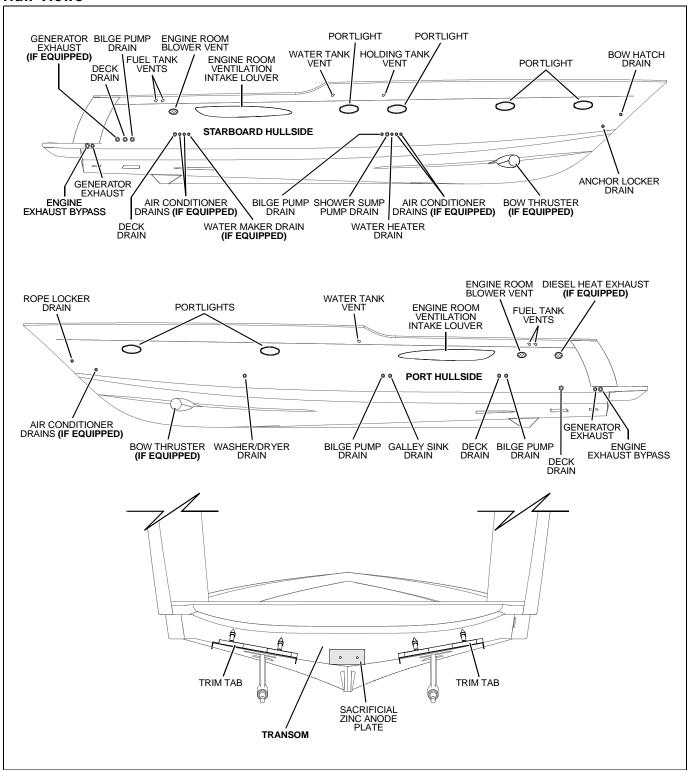
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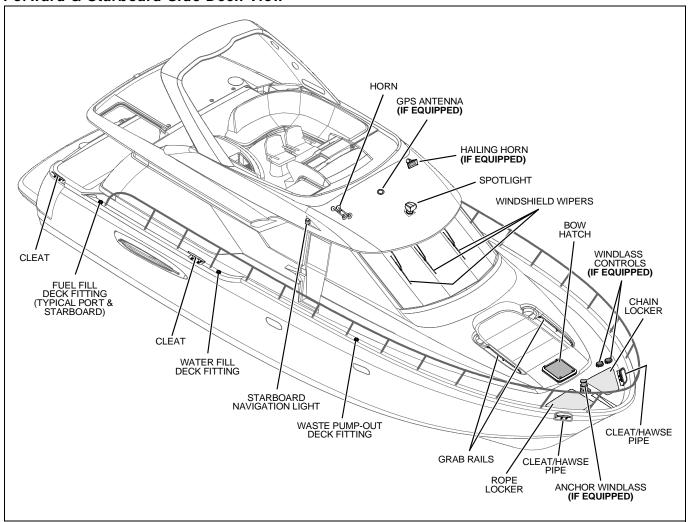
## **Chapter 2: Locations**

#### **Exterior Views**

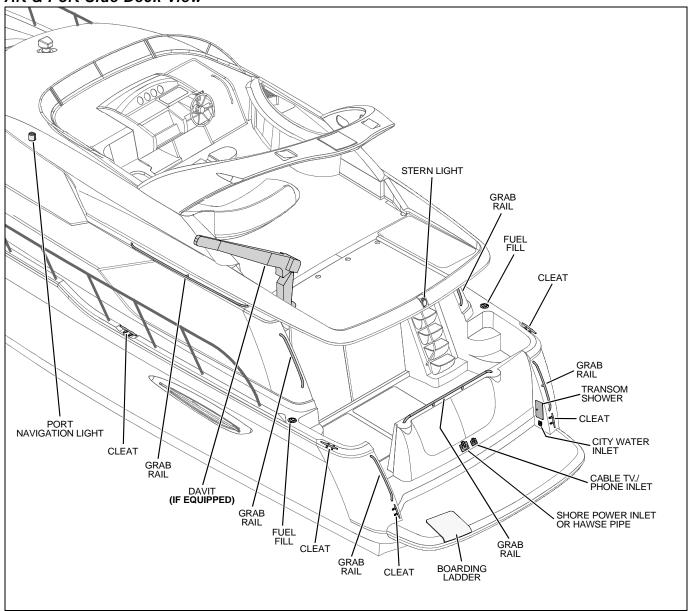
#### **Hull Views**



Forward & Starboard Side Deck View

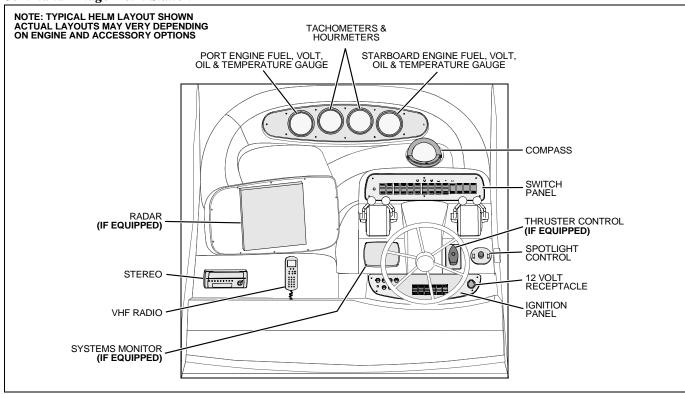


Aft & Port Side Deck View

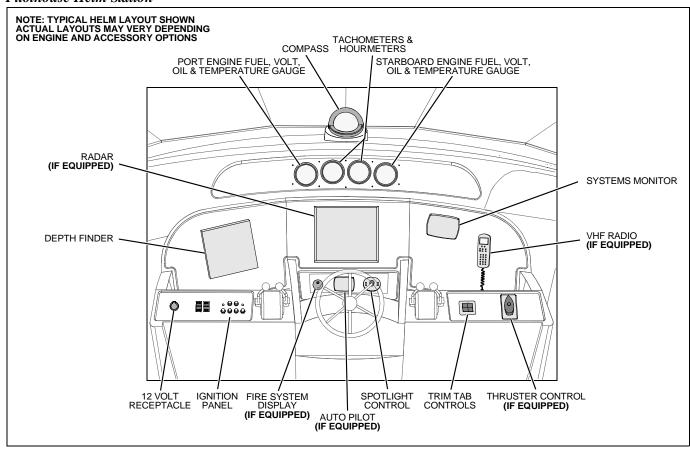


#### **Helm Stations**

#### Command Bridge Helm Station



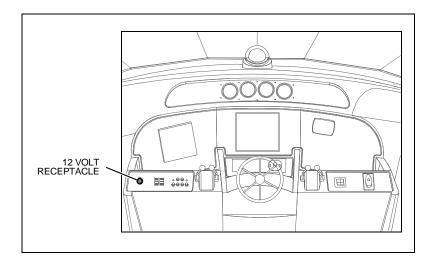
#### Pilothouse Helm Station



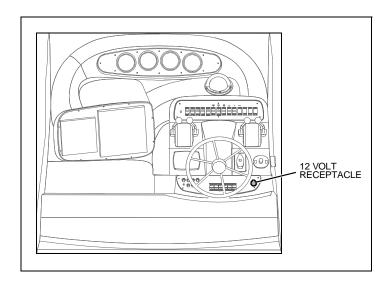
## **Component Locations**

## 12-Volt Accessory Outlet (2):

• Located on the pilothouse dash.

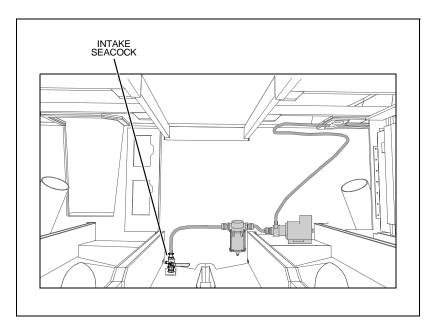


• Located on the command bridge dash.



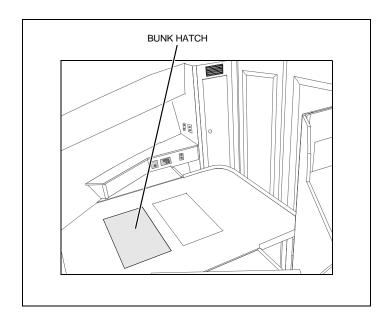
#### **Air Conditioner Seawater Intake Seacock:**

- Located just forward of the aft wall in the engine room.
- Access the engine room by lifting up the command bridge stairs.



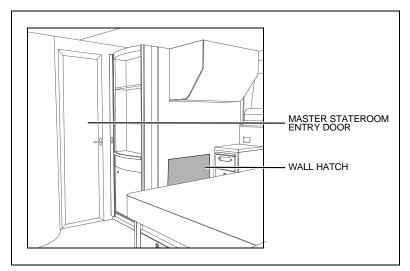
#### **Air Conditioner Unit Forward Stateroom:**

- Located in the forward stateroom island berth.
- Access is through the forward stateroom island berth storage hatch.



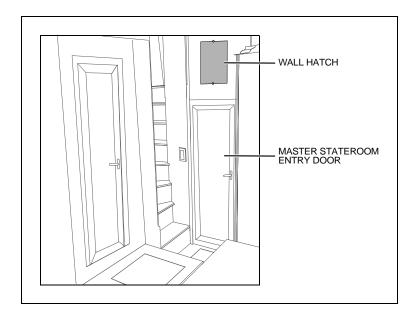
#### **Air Conditioner Unit Master Stateroom:**

- Located behind the master stateroom cabinet.
- Access is through the forward stateroom island berth storage hatch.



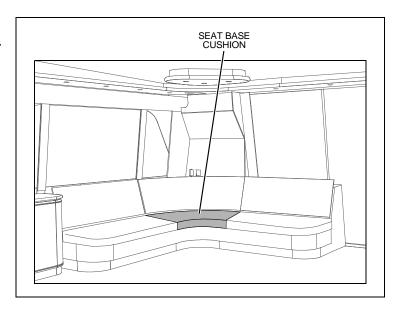
#### **Air Conditioner Unit Pilot House:**

- Located behind the pilot house dash.
- Access is through the aft hallway wall hatch.



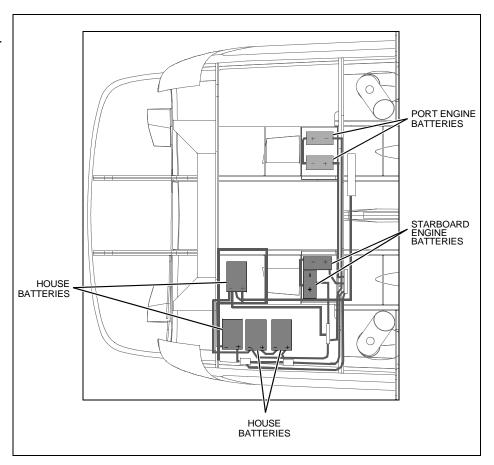
#### **Air Conditioner Unit Salon:**

• Access under the center salon seat base cushion.



#### **Batteries:**

- Located in the machinery room.
- Access is through the cockpit floor hatch.



#### **Battery Charger:**

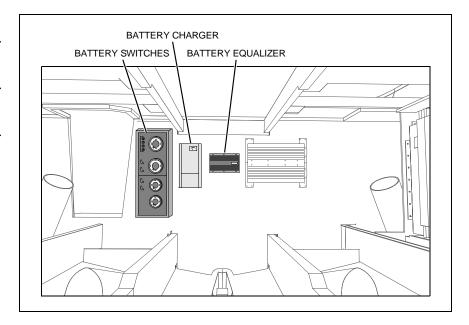
• Located on the aft engine room wall.

#### **Battery Switches:**

• Located on the aft engine room wall.

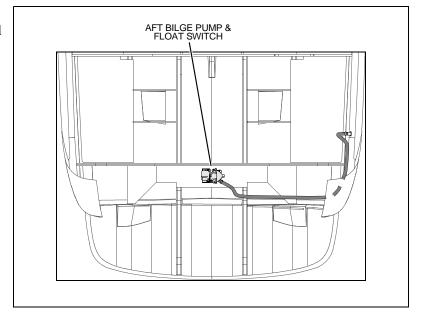
#### **Battery Equalizers:**

• Located on the aft engine room wall.



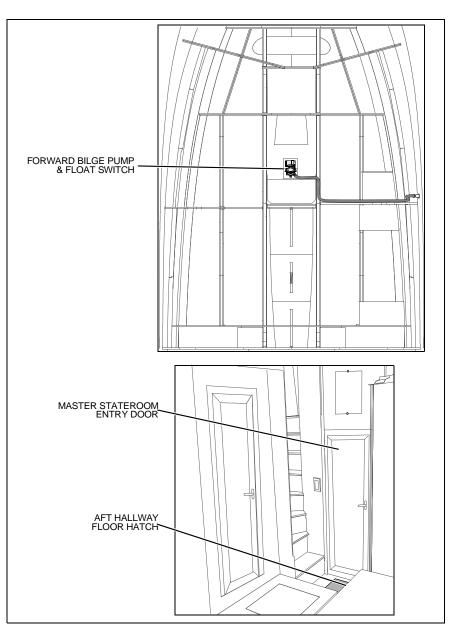
#### Bilge Pump - Aft:

- Located in the machinery room just forward of the transom.
- Access is through the cockpit floor hatch.



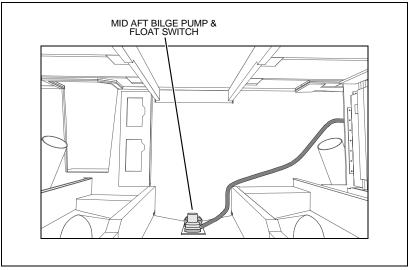
## **Bilge Forward:**

• Located under the aft hallway floor hatch.



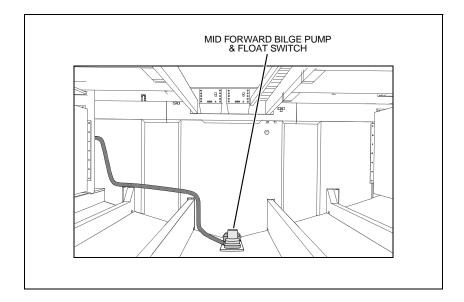
## **Bilge Pump - Mid Aft:**

- Located just forward of the aft wall in the engine room.
- Access the engine room by lifting up the command bridge stairs.



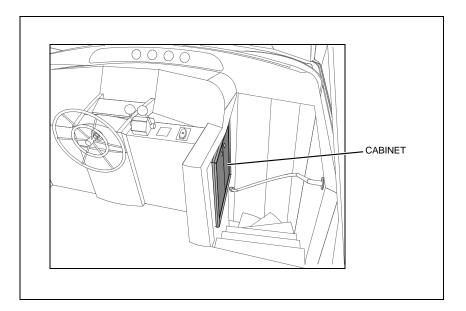
#### **Bilge Pump - Mid Forward:**

- Located just aft of the forward wall in the engine room.
- Access the engine room by lifting up the command bridge stairs.



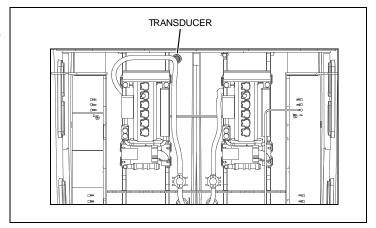
#### **DC Circuit Breakers:**

• Located inside the cabinet on the port side wall of the pilothouse staircase.



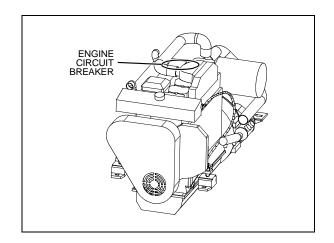
#### **Depth Sounder Thru-hull Transducer:**

- Located in the forward center engine compartment.
- Access the engine room by lifting up the command bridge stairs.



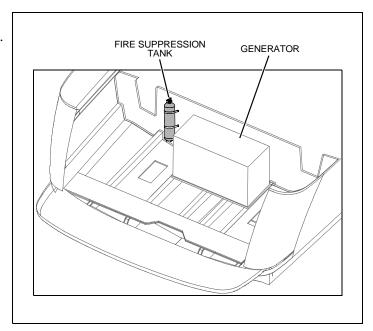
#### **Engine Circuit Breaker:**

• One on each engine.



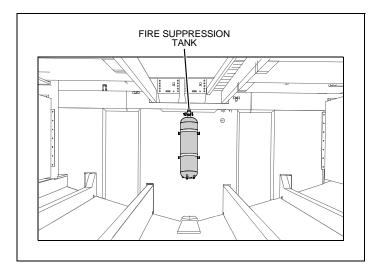
#### **Fire Suppression Tank Aft:**

- Located on the forward wall in the machinery room.
- Access is through the cockpit floor hatch.



#### **Fire Suppression Tank Forward:**

- Located on the forward wall in the engine room.
- Access the engine room by lifting up the command bridge stairs.

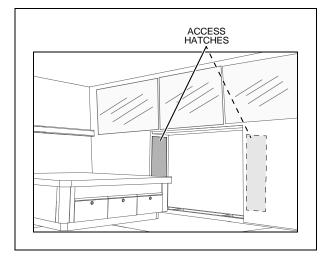


#### Freshwater Fill:

• On the port deck trail. Refer to page 9 for location view.

#### **Freshwater Tanks:**

- Located outboard of the master stateroom hanging locker.
- Access is through the master stateroom hanging locker port & starboard access hatches.

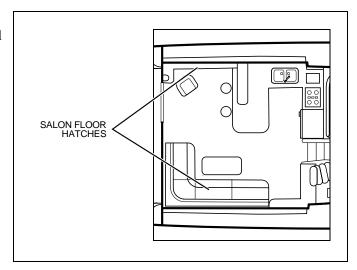


#### **Fuel Fill Deck Fittings:**

• Located on the port & starboard aft deck trail. Refer to pages 9 & 10 for location views.

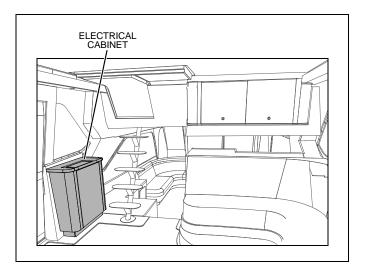
#### **Fuel Tanks:**

- Located in the engine room, one is on the port side and the other is on the starboard side.
- Access is through the salon floor hatches, under the salon lounge seat and the port salon cabinet.



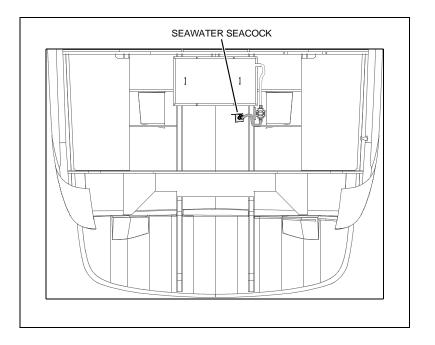
#### **Generator Control Panel:**

• Located on the starboard side of the pilothouse, in the electrical cabinet.



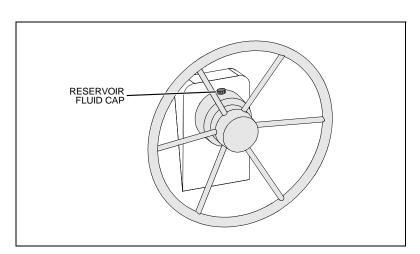
#### **Generator Seawater Seacock:**

- Located just aft of the generator in the machinery room.
- Access is through the cockpit floor hatch.



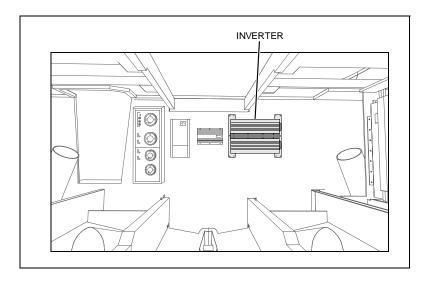
#### **Hydraulic Steering Fluid Reservoir:**

• Located on the steering wheel.



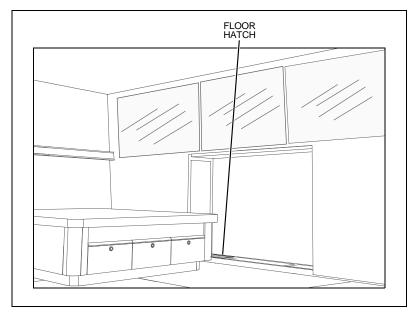
#### **Inverter:**

- Located on the aft engine room wall.
- Access the engine room by lifting up the command bridge stairs.



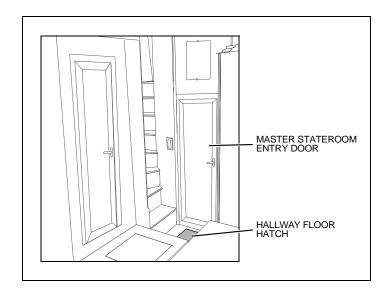
#### **Macerator Underwater Discharge Seacock:**

- Located under the master stateroom hanging locker floor.
- Access is through the master stateroom hanging locker floor hatch.



#### Marine Head (Electric) Seawater Intake Seacock:

• Access is through the aft hallway floor hatch.

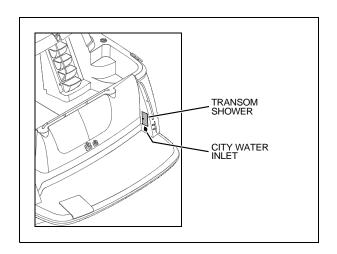


#### **Navigation Lights:**

• Located on the port & starboard side of the command bridge. Refer to page 9&10 for location views.

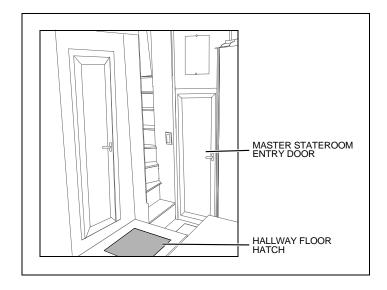
#### **Transom Shower:**

• Located on the starboard aft wall of the cockpit.



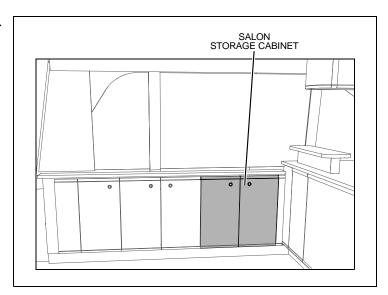
## Vacuflush Pumps:

• Access is through the forward hallway floor hatch.



#### **Wall Vacuum Unit:**

• Located in the port forward salon storage cabinet.



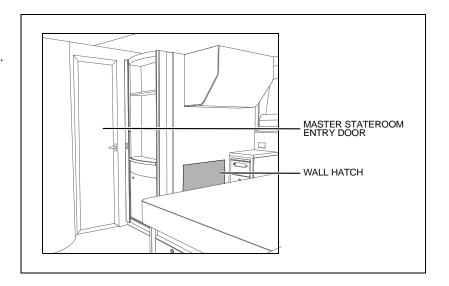
#### **Waste Holding Tank:**

- Located under the master stateroom floor.
- Access is through the master stateroom hanging locker floor hatch.



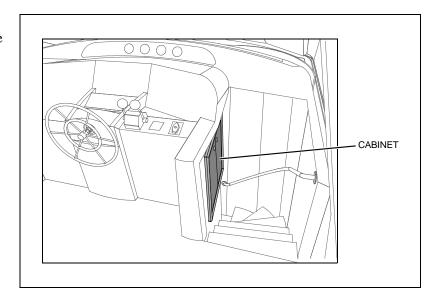
#### **Water Heater:**

- Located in the master stateroom.
- Access is through the forward wall hatch.



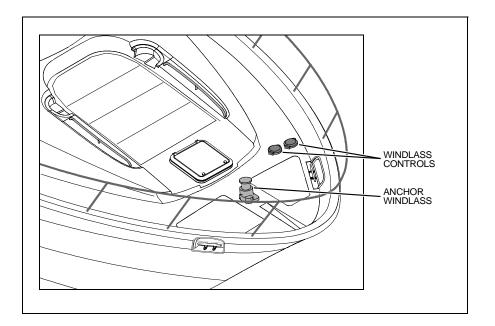
## **Water Pump Switch:**

• Located inside the cabinet on the port side wall of the pilothouse staircase.



#### **Windlass Foot Controls:**

• Located on the forward deck.



## **Chapter 3: Propulsion & Related Systems**

## **Engine**

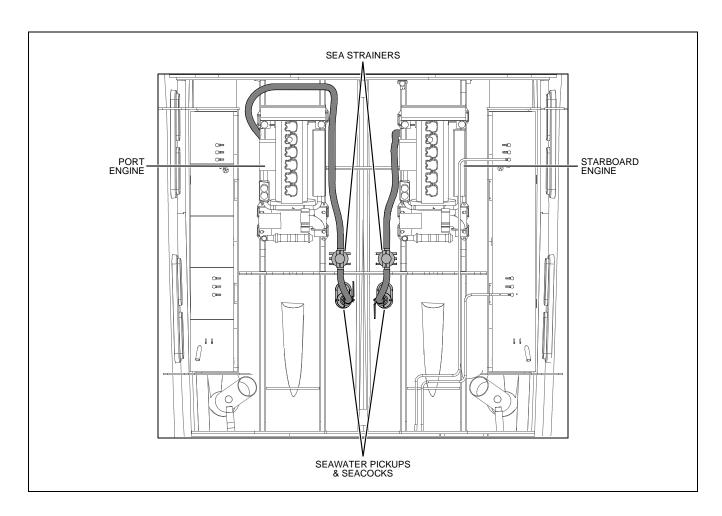
Read and understand the engine operation and maintenance manuals *before* using or working on the engines.

## **Engine Cooling System**

## **!** CAUTION!

#### SYSTEM DAMAGE HAZARD!

The engine cooling system's seacocks *must* be *Opened before* engines are started and during engine operation.



The engine cooling system circulates raw water around components and also uses a freshwater heat exchanger on the engine to reduce engine temperature.

- Make sure both engine seawater intake valves (seacocks) are *Open before* starting the engines and keep the seacocks *Open* while the engines are running.
- The cooling system's seawater strainers should be checked for leaks and debris *every time* you use your yacht. For instructions on how to clean the seawater strainers, see the *Seawater Systems* section of this *Owner's Manual*.



## **Exhaust System**

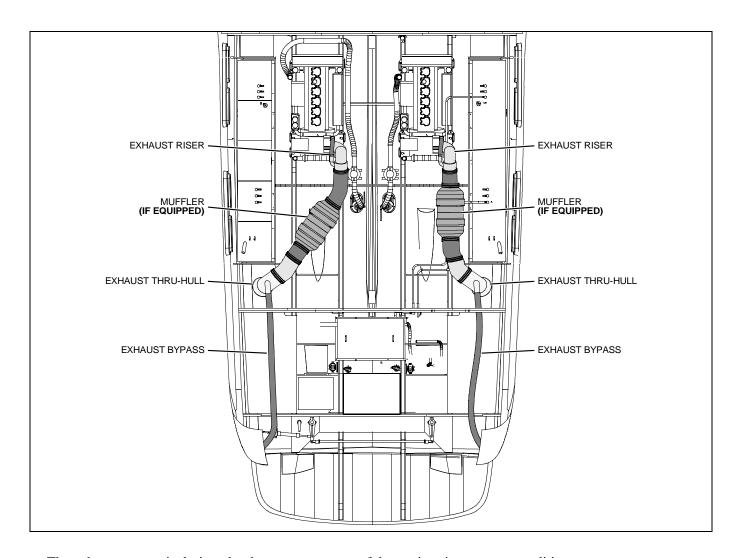
## A DANGER!

CARBON MONOXIDE POISONING HAZARD!



Leaking engine and/or generator exhaust is a source of dangerous carbon monoxide gas (CO). Check *all* exhaust systems *before* each trip.

- Look for leaks in the exhaust systems of the propulsion engines and the generator.
- Look for discoloration, water leaks, carbon or stains around all joints.
- Make sure all of the exhaust clamps are in place and secured.
- Make sure the ventilation systems work and are *not* obstructed or restricted.
- To reduce the chance of CO entering the living spaces, fill any gaps around engine room plumbing, cableways, exhaust systems, doors, hatches, and access panels.



- The exhaust system is designed to keep seawater out of the engines in most sea conditions.
- However, do not anchor the stern to sea or shut the engines Off if high seas might flood the exhaust system.
- Always consider the sea conditions before anchoring or shutting Off the engines.

## **Fuel System**

Carefully read the fuel section of both the *Owner's Manual* and the engine operation manual, paying special attention to the subject of *fuel recommendations*.

## WARNING!





#### FIRE, EXPLOSION AND OPEN FLAME HAZARD!

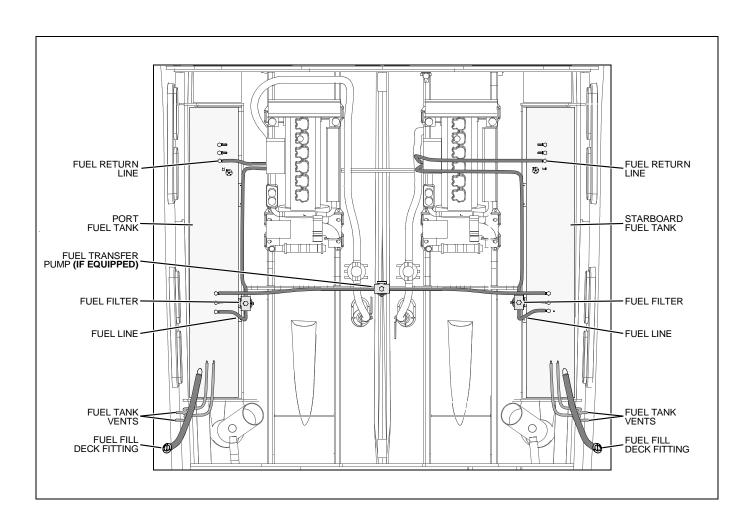
- It is very important that the fuel system be inspected thoroughly the first time it is filled and at each subsequent filling.
- The fueling instructions in the *Owner's Manual* and the fuel recommendations in the engine operation manual *must* be followed.

## **⚠** CAUTION!

• Air in the diesel supply system can stop an engine or severely restrict performance. If you suspect air in the fuel lines, refer to your engine operation manual for detailed instructions on how to bleed the system.

## **↑** CAUTION

Avoid the storage or handling of gear near the fuel lines, fittings and tank.



#### Fuel Fills & Vents

- The fuel fill fitting is marked "Diesel."
- The fuel tank vent is located below the fuel fill.
- If you experience difficulty filling the fuel tank, check to see if the fuel fill hose is kinked or collapsed. If there are no visible signs of a problem, contact your local dealer.

#### Fuel Filters

- The fuel pickup tube (located inside the fuel tank) is equipped with a fine mesh screen filter.
- In addition, when supplied by the engine manufacturer, a fuel filter is installed on the engine.
- Periodically replace the fuel filters to make sure they remain clean and free of debris.
- Consult with your selling dealer or local marina concerning fuel additives that help to prevent fungus or other buildup in your fuel tank.

#### Fuel Transfer Pump (If Equipped)

## **⚠** CAUTION!

#### ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARD!

- NEVER transfer fuel into a full (or nearly full) fuel tank.
- Fuel transferred into a full tank will spill overboard through the tank venting system.
- Your yacht may feature a fuel transfer pump which pumps fuel from one tank to another.
- The fuel transfer switch is located at the upper helm on the ignition switch panel.

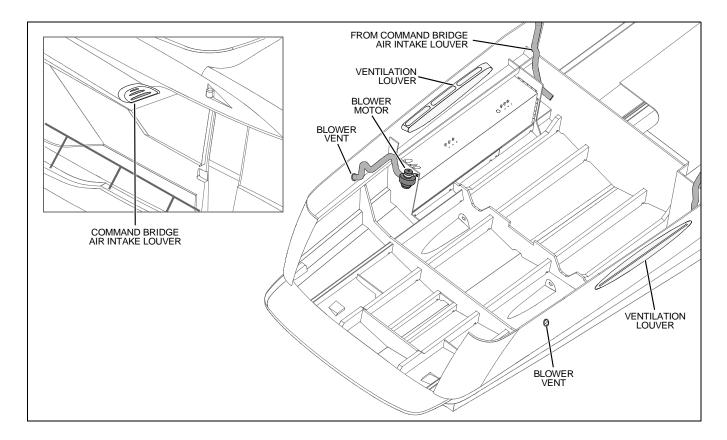


## **Engine Room Ventilation System**

# **WARNING!**



- Use of the blower system is NOT A GUARANTEE that explosive fumes have been removed.
- If you smell fuel, DO NOT start the engines or generator and DO NOT turn On any electrical devices.
- If you smell fuel and the engines and/or generator are already running, shut Off the engines and/or generator and turn Off all electrical devices. Investigate immediately.
- DO NOT obstruct or modify the ventilation system.



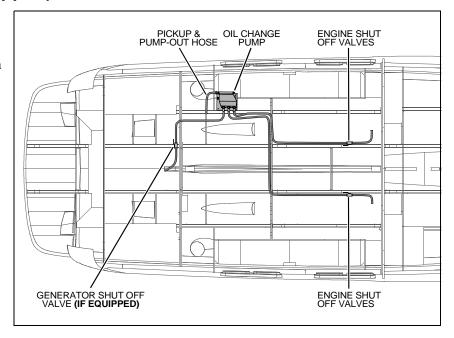
- The bilge blowers remove explosive fumes from the engine room.
- Fresh air is drawn into the engine room through the deck vents.

To make sure the engine room is properly ventilated:

- Always run the bilge blowers for at least four minutes before starting the engines or the generator (if equipped).
- Continue to run the blowers until your yacht has reached cruising speed.
- Always run the blowers when operating the yacht below cruising speed.

## Oil Change System (If Equipped)

- Your yacht may feature an oil change pump to simplify draining and filling engine and generator oil
- Read the oil change system instruction manual for information on the use of this system.



## Fire Suppression System (If Equipped)

**Before** using your boat for the first time, read and understand the fire suppression system's instruction and maintenance manual and follow *all* warnings.

Observe the following:

- The system will go off automatically whenever direct heat from a fire is detected in the engine compartment.
- The system can be set off manually by pulling the T-handle (labeled "FIRE") at the helm.
- The system can only be set off once during a fire. After the system is discharged it *must* be refilled and refurbished *before* it can be used again.



## **Shaft-Transmission Alignment**

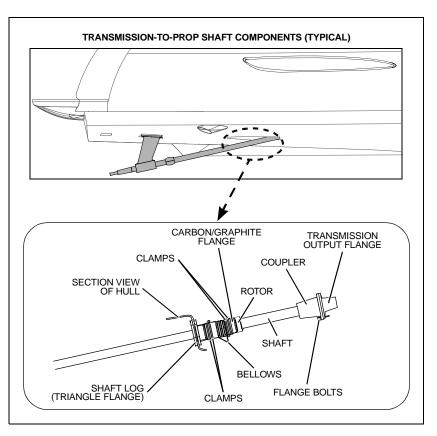
## **⚠** CAUTION!

#### SYSTEM DAMAGE HAZARD!

- If you suspect a shaft-transmission misalignment, have a qualified mechanic perform an alignment inspection as soon as possible.
- Continued use may lead to premature engine, transmission, shaft, shaft seal and/or hull damage!

Alignment between the engine transmission output shaft and the propeller is very critical. The alignment has been performed at the factory and was rechecked by the dealer after the yacht had been in the water for 48 hours.

- An alignment inspection should be performed by a marine mechanic as part of the routine maintenance program after the initial 30 hours of operation, then every 60 hours and whenever unusual noise or vibration is noticed.
- Shaft-transmission alignment should be performed by a marine mechanic since it requires moving the engine and prop shaft.
- To insure proper alignment after a haulout or dry storage, wait 48 hours after launching before final alignment adjustments by a marine mechanic are made.

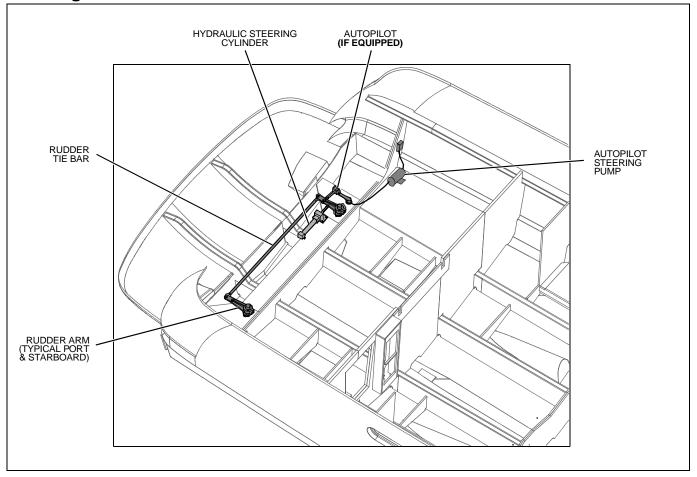


### Shaft Log Packless Sealing System

The shaft log packless sealing system's shaft seal is a maintenance-free, watertight seal that does *not* require packing or adjustments.

## **Chapter 4: Controls**

## Steering



- This yacht features a power assisted rack-and-pinion steering system.
- Check the fluid level in the power steering reservoir *every time* you use your yacht.
- Yacht steering is *not* self-centering.



### Autopilot (If Equipped)

## **A** WARNING!

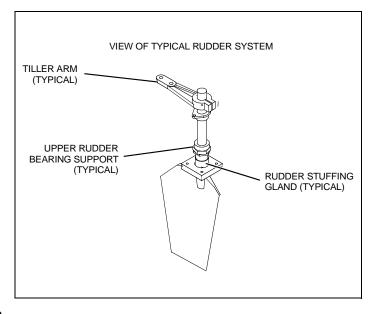
- *Never* leave the helm while the autopilot system is *On*!
- A qualified operator *must* monitor the autopilot system at *all* times and keep lookout for other marine traffic and other hazards.

## NOTICE

- The autopilot system is *only* an aid to navigation.
- It's accuracy can be affected by many factors, including equipment failure or defects, environmental conditions and improper handling or use.
- **Before** using the autopilot system, read the autopilot instruction manual(s).
- The autopilot will aid you in maintaining the chosen course of your yacht.

### Rudder Stuffing Gland

- The rudder stuffing gland is part of the assembly where the rudders emerge from the bottom of the yacht.
- The shaft stuffing gland should *not* leak any water.
- If a leak develops, it can usually be stopped by tightening the packing gland nuts slightly. **Do not** over tighten the packing gland nuts.
- If stuffing gland leakage becomes excessive, packing replacement can be performed as follows:
- 1. Remove the yacht from the water.
- 2. Loosen the packing gland nuts and back the packing gland from the sleeve.
- 3. Remove the old packing.
- 4. Wrap the new packing around the shaft.
- 5. Cut the rings with a razor blade at an angle approximately 30 degrees to the long axis of the shaft.
- 6. Stagger the ends of each ring around the shaft and insure that the rings are at the bottom in the sleeve.
- 7. Tighten the packing gland nuts until resistance is felt.



### Shift/Throttle Controls

## WARNING!

LOSS OF CONTROL HAZARD!

Improper maintenance of shift/throttle hardware may cause a sudden loss of control!

Read *all* of the information about the shift/throttle controls in the shift/throttle controls' manual, the engine operation manual, and the *Cruiser & Yacht Owner's Manual Supplement*.

### Engine Synchronization (If Equipped)

Follow the instructions in the synchronization section of the shift/throttle controls' manual.

### **Trim Tabs**

## **WARNING!**

### LOSS OF CONTROL HAZARD!

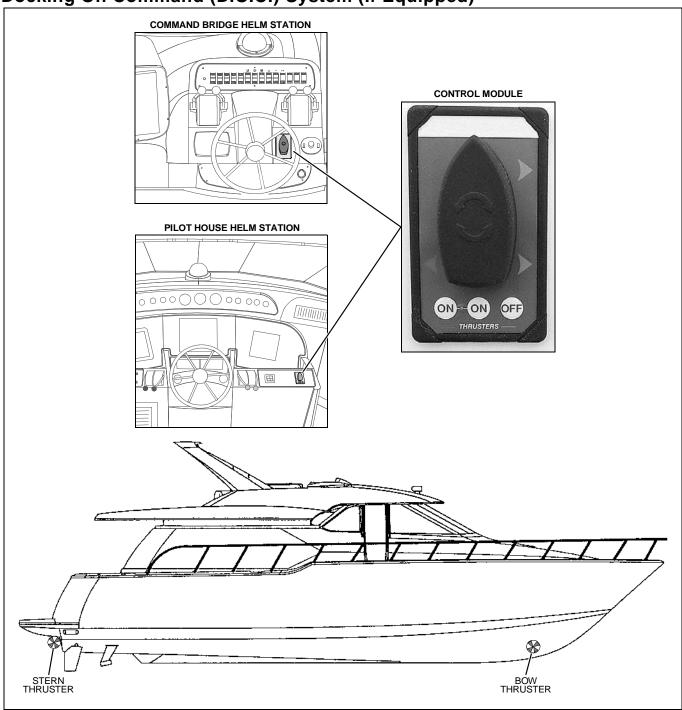
Improper use of trim tabs will cause loss of control!

- Do not allow anyone unfamiliar with trim tabs to use them.
- *Do not* use trim tabs in a following sea as they *will* cause broaching or other unsafe handling characteristics.
- Do not use trim tabs to compensate for excessive unequal weight distribution.
- The trim tabs may be used to help keep your yacht level at cruising speeds.
- The trim tabs are controlled by two rocker switches at the helm.
- **Before** using the trim tabs read and understand the trim tab operation manual.

### Note the following:

- Once cruising speed is reached, the port or starboard trim switch may be used (one at a time) to level the yacht.
- Perform trim tab adjustment with several short touches to the switch rather than one long one.
- After each short touch allow several seconds for the hull to react.
- The trim tab hydraulic fluid reservoir is located in the engine compartment. The fluid level *must* be checked periodically (at least once a year) and refilled as necessary.

## Docking On Command (D.O.C.) System (If Equipped)



- The D.O.C. system features bow and stern thrusters.
- The thrusters can be controlled from either helm.
- During docking, the thrusters can assist you in maneuvering your yacht in close quarters.
- Read the D.O.C. system's user manual *before* using the D.O.C. system for the first time. Follow *all* user precautions carefully.

## Gauges

### Cleaning Gauges

## **∴** CAUTION!

### PRODUCT or PROPERTY DAMAGE HAZARD!

- Use only mild soap and water to clean the gauge lenses and bezels.
- Use of other cleaners, including common window cleaning solutions, may cause the lenses to crack.
- Lenses cracked in this manner will not be covered by our warranty.

### Gauge Fogging

- Moisture may occasionally find its way into the gauges causing lens fogging.
- Turning *On* the gauge lights will help dry the lenses.
- Fogging will not harm the gauges.

### Radio Transmission Interference

VHF or other radio transmissions may cause brief erratic readings on the tachometers. This *will not* damage these gauges or affect their accuracy when *not* transmitting.

### Twin Engine Readings

It is normal for tachometers and other gauges to have slightly different readings between engines.

### Fuel Gauge

It is normal for the pointers on your fuel gauges to bounce as fuel sloshes back and forth in the fuel tanks.

## **Chapter 5: Navigation & Communication Equipment**

**Before** using these systems for the first time, read and understand the instruction manuals and observe the following:

## VHF Radio (If Equipped)

- The VHF (Very High Frequency) radio can be used to access weather reports, summon assistance or contact other vessels as permitted by the FCC (Federal Communications Commission).
- Contact the FCC for licensing, rules and regulations concerning VHF radio usage.

## **Compass**

## NOTICE

- Compass accuracy can be affected by many factors.
- Have a qualified technician calibrate your compass. Make sure the technician gives you a deviation card which shows the corrections to apply in navigational calculations.
- Keep a copy of the deviation card at each helm.

## Radar (If Equipped)

- The marine radar system gives you a complete and accurate 360° radar view of other vessels, buoys, and landfall surrounding your vessel.
- To turn this system *On*, the RADAR switch on the DC breaker panel *must* be switched *On*.

## **Depth Finder**

## WARNING!

- DO NOT use the depth finder as a navigational aid to prevent collision, grounding, yacht damage or personal injury.
- When the yacht is moving, submerged objects *will not* be seen until they are already under the yacht.
- Bottom depths may change too quickly to allow time for the yacht to react.
- If you suspect shallow water or submerged objects, run the yacht at very slow speeds.

## Global Positioning System (GPS) (If Equipped)

## WARNING!

- The GPS system should not be relied upon as the only aid to navigation.
- A qualified operator *must* monitor the *GPS* system at *all* times and keep a look-out for other marine traffic and possible collision situations.

## **NOTICE**

The GPS system is only an aid to navigation. It's accuracy can be affected by many factors, including equipment failure or defects, environmental conditions & improper handling or use.

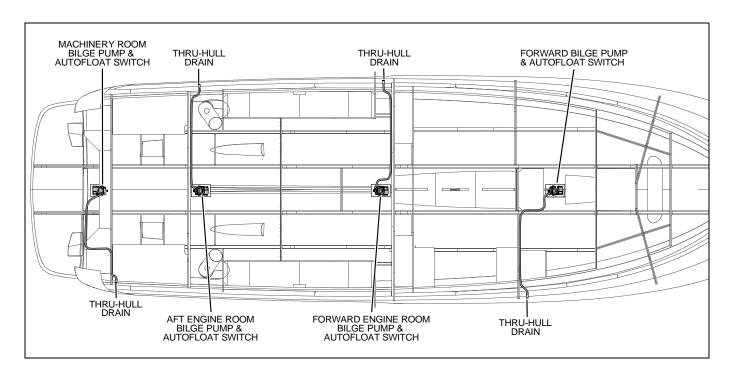


## **Chapter 6: Plumbing**

## **Bilge Pumps**

## **NOTICE**

Discharge of oil, oil waste or fuel into navigable waters is prohibited by law. Violators are subject to legal action by the local authorities.



- Your yacht is equipped with four automatic impeller-type bilge pumps which are used to pump water out of the bilge.
- All of the bilge pumps are controlled by automatic bilge pump float switches (autofloat switches).
- The automatic bilge pumps with autofloat switches are wired directly to the battery so they *will* normally function even when the yacht is completely shut down and left unattended.
- The bilge pumps can also be controlled by switches at the helm.

### **Bilge Pump Testing**

Bilge pumps are critical to the safety of your yacht. Check the bilge pumps often to make sure that they are working properly. Test each pump individually.

### To test each bilge pump:

- 1. Turn *On* the manual switches at the helm.
- 2. Make sure that water in the bilge is pumped overboard.

If there is water in the bilge and the pump motor is running but *not* pumping:

- 1. Inspect the discharge hose for a kink or collapsed area.
- Check the bilge pump housing for clogging debris as follows:

### To check for clogging debris in pumps:

- 1. With your thumb and forefinger squeeze the holding tabs on each side of the power cartridge.
- 2. Lift out the power cartridge.
- 3. Check the pump and the housing and clear any debris.

### Reinstalling the power cartridge:

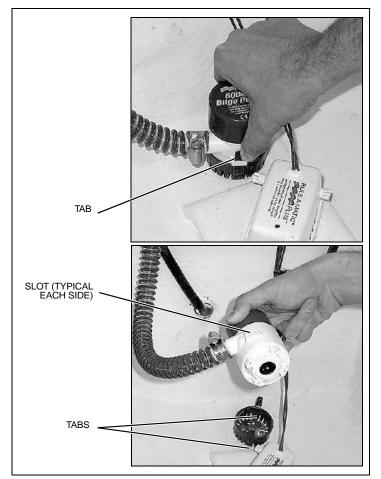
- 1. Align the tabs and slots and press firmly until the tabs click into place.
- 2. Make sure that the power cartridge is locked into place.

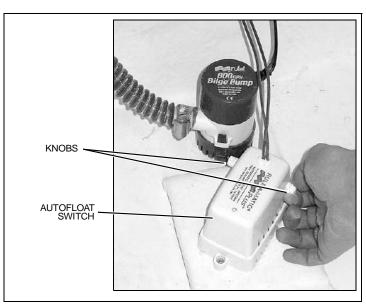
### **Autofloat Switches**

- The automatic bilge pumps use float (autofloat) switches to automatically turn *On* the pumps whenever water accumulates above a preset level in the bilge.
- The autofloat switches are normally mounted next to the bilge pumps they control.
- The autofloat switches should be tested often for proper operation as follows.

### To test each float switch:

- 1. Turn *On* the float switch by twisting the white plastic knob 1/4 turn.
- 2. The bilge pump should turn On.
- 3. If twisting the knob does *not* turn the pump *On*, check the circuit breaker on the DC panel.
- 4. If the circuit breaker is *On*, but the pump still does *not* work, it may indicate a bad switch or possibly a low battery.
- 5. Release the knob to lower the float and return the float switch to auto mode.





## **∴** CAUTION!

When the test is completed on each float switch, you MUST push the test button all the way down to the auto position to return the switch to auto mode!

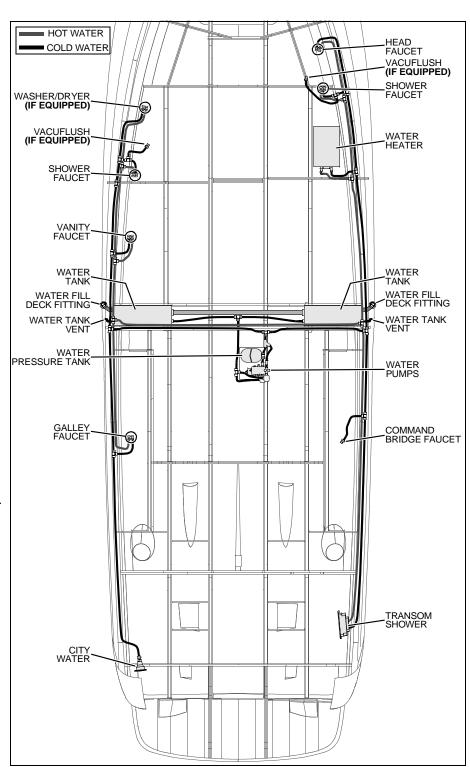
### Freshwater System

## WARNING!

- Only use safe drinking (potable) water in your yacht's freshwater system.
- Only use a sanitary drinking water hose to fill the water tank or connect to city water.
- Never use a common garden hose for drinking water.
- Read the *Freshwater system* section in the Cruiser & Yacht Owner's Manual *Supplement*.
- Your yacht is equipped with a pressure type (demand) freshwater (potable) system.
- This system can be pressurized by turning *On* the water pump.
- See the *Component Location* section of this *Owner's Manual* for the location of the water pump switch.
- Since the water pump requires DC power, the house battery switch must be in the *On* position for the pump to work.

Note the following about the freshwater system:

- Turn *Off* the water pump when the yacht is *not* in use or the water tank is empty.
- Inspect and clean the water filter often (located on the water pump).
- When your yacht is to be left unattended for long periods of time, pump the water tanks dry to prevent stored water from becoming stagnant and distasteful.
- If the freshwater system needs to be disinfected, ask your dealer about treatments available for your yacht's system.



### Freshwater System Winterization

## ! CAUTION!

WATER SYSTEM DAMAGE HAZARD!

Never blow compressed air through the water system when all of the faucets are Closed.

- 1. Turn *On* the water system switch.
- 2. *Open all* of the faucets and showers and let the water system drain completely.
- 3. Turn *Off* the water system switch.

Any remaining water *must* be removed from the water lines. There are two ways to remove the remaining water from the lines:

- Compressed Air
- Gravity Draining

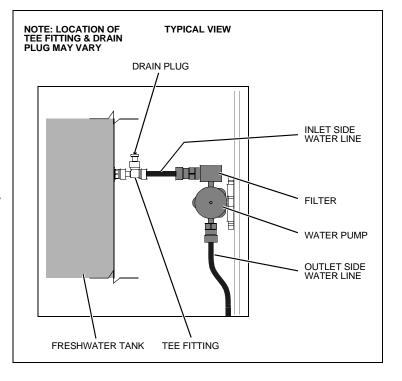
### **Compressed Air**

You *must* have an air compressor with an air hose and an air nozzle.

- 1. Remove the water line from the outlet side of the water pump (opposite side from filter).
- 2. *Open* the faucet that is furthest away from the water pump.
- 3. Place the air nozzle against the end of the just removed water line and blow air through the system.
- 4. When water stops coming out of the *Open* faucet, stop the air and *Close* the faucet.
- 5. One at a time, repeat this process on *all* faucets and showers.

### **Gravity Draining**

- 1. *Open all* faucets and showers.
- 2. Remove the drain plug from the tee fitting on the freshwater tank.
- 3. When the water has stopped draining from the freshwater tank, replace the drain plug.



Chapter 6: Plumbing

### Water Heating Systems

## A WARNING!

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### SCALDING HAZARD!

Water heated by the water heater can be hot enough to scald the skin.

## ! CAUTION!

### WATER HEATER DAMAGE HAZARD!

- DO NOT turn On the water heater electrical circuit on the AC panel until the water heater tank is COMPLETELY filled with water.
- Even momentary operation in a dry tank will damage the heating elements.
- Warranty replacements WILL NOT be made on elements damaged in this manner.
- The tank is full if water flows from the tap when the hot water is turned *On* in the galley.
- The water heater should be drained and the power turned *Off* when the possibility of freezing exists.

## NOTICE

If your yacht is connected to shore power or generator power, but the water heater is *not* working:

• Make sure the water heater circuit breaker on the AC panel is switched *On*.

If the circuit breaker on the AC panel is *On*, but the water heater is still *not* working:

- Consult with your dealer about checking the "push to reset" circuit breaker located on the water heater.
- Read the water heater instruction manual and heed the warnings above.
- The water heater is connected to the AC power system.
- Turn *On* the water heater breaker on the AC panel to heat the water.

### Winterizing the Water Heater

- 1. Turn *Off* the water heater breaker.
- 2. Disconnect the hose (A) attached to the pressure relief valve (B).
- 3. If there is any water in this hose, drain it into the bilge or into a bucket.
- 4. *Open* the pressure relief valve (B).
- 5. *Open* the drain valve (C).
- Leave the pressure relief and drain valves *Open* until you fit out the boat after storage.



### Transom Shower (If Equipped)

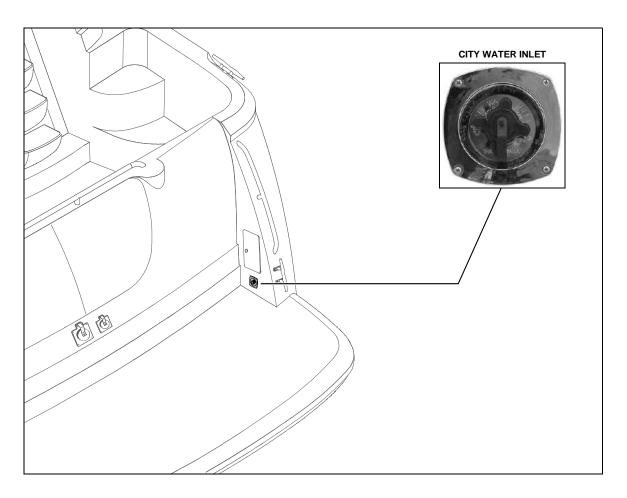
- Your yacht features a freshwater transom shower.
- Read the manufacturer's instructions *before* using the transom shower for the first time.
- The water pump switch *must* be turned *On before* using the transom shower.

## City Water Inlet

## **⚠** CAUTION!

### FLOODING & SWAMPING HAZARD!

NEVER leave the yacht unattended while using the "city water" feature. Any leak or break in the system may allow large amounts of water to accumulate in the bilge that could cause swamping of the batteries and engines or sinking of the yacht.



- Read the "City Water Hookup" portion of the Freshwater System section in the Cruiser & Yacht Owner's Manual Supplement.
- When the yacht is connected to a dockside water supply, the freshwater system is pressurized.
- You *do not* need to turn *On* the water pump's DC breaker.

## Marine Head with Holding Tank

## **NOTICE**

Check with local authorities for regulations regarding the legal use of marine head systems.

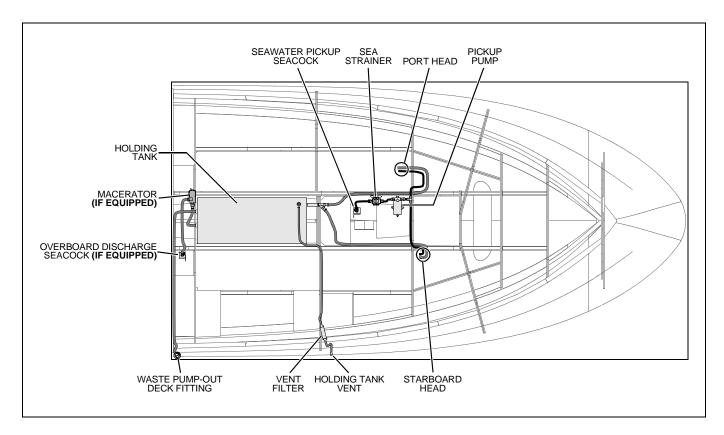
- Read the marine head operation and maintenance manual.
- The holding tank is plumbed to a waste fitting on the deck for dockside pump-out.
- Check the content level of the holding tank by looking at the side of the tank.
- Empty the holding tank at every opportunity.

To use the macerator to pump waste directly into the water (where regulations permit):

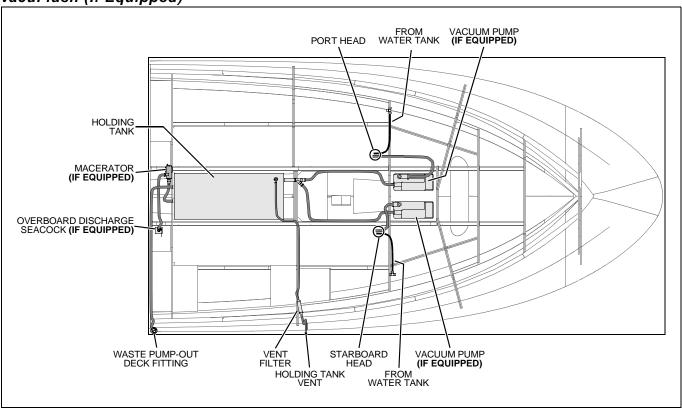
- 1. *Open* the overboard discharge valve.
- 2. Press both macerator switches at the same time to run the pump. *Do not* continue running the macerator if the waste holding tank is empty.
- 3. *Close* the overboard discharge valve when you are done pumping.

### Winterizing The Marine Head

- 1. Shut *Off* the intake seacock and pump the head until the bowl is dry.
- 2. Remove the drain plug in the base and pump again to remove *all* of the water.
- **Do not** fill the bowl with anti-freeze.
- *Close* the intake seacock while the yacht is underway or whenever the yacht is left moored in the water.



## VacuFlush (If Equipped)



- Read the VacuFlush operation and maintenance manual.
- The VacuFlush head system uses freshwater from the water tank and a vacuum pump to flush waste from the toilet into the holding tank.
- The holding tank is plumbed to a waste fitting on the deck for dockside pump-out.
- For winterizing instructions, refer to the VacuFlush head operation and maintenance manual.

## **Seawater Systems**

### Seacocks

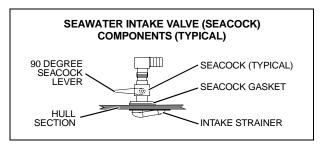
## **!** CAUTION!

#### SYSTEM DAMAGE HAZARD!

- Before using a seawater intake system, make sure that the system's seacock is in the Open position before the system is started and keep the seacock Open until the system is shut Off.
- Close the seacocks whenever the systems will not be used for long periods of time.

A seacock is a valve, controlled by a 90° lever, used to manage the intake of seawater through the hull and below the water line. Seacocks are typically used on your yacht in the following seawater intake systems:

- Engines
- Generator (if equipped)
- Marine head (toilet)
- Air conditioning system (if equipped)



**Before** using any of these systems, make sure that the system's seacock is **Open** and remains **Open** until the system is shut **Off**.

### Seawater Strainers

## **↑** CAUTION!

### FLOODING HAZARD!

- The seacock that sends seawater to the strainer *must* be *Closed before* disassembling the seawater strainer to prevent the yacht from taking on water through the seawater strainer assembly.
- Keep the seacock Closed until the seawater strainer is completely reassembled.

#### SYSTEM DAMAGE HAZARD!

- After reassembling the seawater strainer, make sure that the seacock valve is *Open before* using the component/system.
- Seawater strainers are used in water pickup systems to filter incoming seawater.
- A seawater strainer is located near each system's seacock.
- Check the strainers for leaks and/or debris every time you use your yacht.
- If debris is found, clean the seawater strainer as follows:
- 1. Make sure the component/system (generator, air conditioning system, etc.) that the strainer is connected to is turned *Off*.
- 2. *Close* the seacock that sends seawater to the strainer you are about to clean. The seacock *must* remain *closed* until the strainer is completely reassembled.
- 3. Take apart the seawater strainer.
- 4. Remove the debris.
- 5. Flush the strainer with water.
- 6. Reassemble the seawater strainer.
- 7. *Open* the seacock and check for leaks around the strainer. If *no* leaks are found, you may use the component or system.

## **Drain Systems**

#### Deck Drains

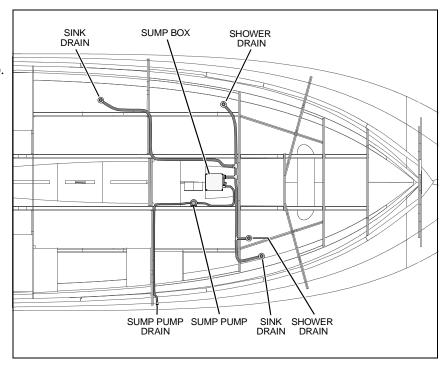
- Water on the deck is drained overboard through the deck drains.
- Keep the deck drains free of debris.

### Sink Drains

The sinks are above the waterline and are gravity drained overboard

#### Shower Drain

- The shower drains into a sump box.
- The float switch inside the sump box automatically turns *On* the sump pump.
- The sump pump pumps the shower water overboard.



### Sump Box Cleaning

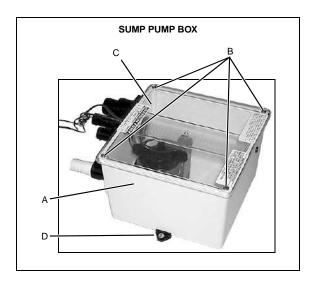
Periodically clean the sump box (A), filter, and pump as follows:

- 1. Remove the cover screws (B) and the cover (C).
- 2. Remove any debris from the box and the filter.
- 3. Clean the sump pump as outlined in the Bilge Pump section of this *Owner's Manual*.

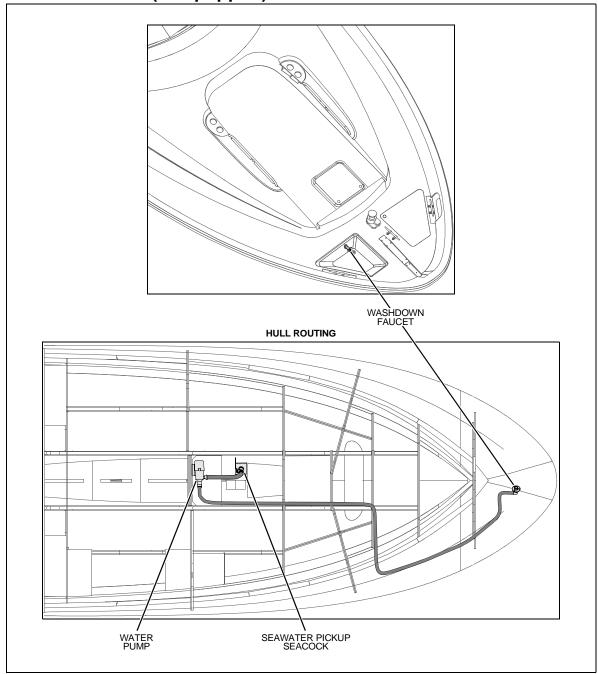
### Sump System Winterization

Drain the sump pump system in the winter months when *not* in use.

- 1. Disconnect and drain *all* lines to the unit.
- 2. Remove the screws from the mounting feet (D) and drain the system.
- 3. Reinstall the screws in the mounting feet and reconnect the system.



# Seawater Washdown (If Equipped)



• *Open* the seacock *before* turning the seawater washdown system *On*.

## **Chapter 7: Deck Equipment**

### **Cleats**

## **♠** WARNING!

PERSONAL INJURY and /or PRODUCT or PROPERTY DAMAGE HAZARD!

• NEVER lift the yacht using the cleats.

Carefully read the section on towing in the *Cruiser & Yacht Owner's Manual Supplement before* towing anything behind the yacht or having the yacht towed by another vessel.

## Windlass (If Equipped)

## ∴ CAUTION!

### PRODUCT DAMAGE HAZARD!

- DO NOT pull the yacht to the anchor using the windlass or continue to run the windlass if it has stalled or is overloaded.
- Your yacht may feature an anchor windlass.
- Read and follow the manufacturer's instruction manual *before* using the anchor windlass for the first time.
- The windlass can be controlled from a switch at the helm or from the deck foot switches.
- Turn *On* the windlass breaker *before* using the anchor windlass.
- To haul the anchor, use engine power (*not* the windlass) to move the yacht to, and directly above, the anchor.
- Use the windlass to dislodge the anchor from the bottom by pulling it straight up.



## **Davit (If Equipped)**

## A WARNING!

PERSONAL INJURY and /or PRODUCT or PROPERTY DAMAGE HAZARD!

- Water is heavy. Lifting a dinghy to drain its bilge may exceed the davit's load limit.
- Also, use extreme care when using the davit in rough weather or sea conditions as the load may swing out of control.

## WARNING!



PERSONAL INJURY, FALLING HAZARD!

- Falling from a suspended boat may cause injury or death.
- Do not allow passengers in a suspended boat.
- Davit load not to exceed 750 lbs.
- Only use the davit when it is securely locked in the upright position.
- *Before* using the davit read the davit's operating instructions and heed the warnings above.
- Make sure that the davit breaker is turned *On before* using the davit.

## Chapter 8: Appliances & Entertainment Systems

## NOTICE

Always keep an approved ABC-type fire extinguisher in galley area.

**All** appliances and entertainment systems installed on your yacht come with their own manuals. These manuals contain detailed instructions and important safeguards. Thoroughly read and understand these manuals **before** using your yacht's appliances and entertainment systems.

• Make sure the AC breaker is turned *On* for the appliance you wish to use.

## Refrigerator

Your yacht features a 120-volt AC/12-volt DC refrigerator. The refrigerator runs on 12-volt DC power unless 120-volt AC power is being supplied by the generator or shore power and the AC refrigerator breaker is On.

## **Electric Stove (If Equipped)**

## A WARNING!



BURN/SCALDING and/or FIRE HAZARD!

- Read the stove's instruction manual before using.
- Always keep an approved ABC-type fire extinguisher in galley area.
- Do not use the stove while underway.
- Any non-cooking devices on or near your stove during use are potential fire hazards!
- DO NOT touch burners, grates or nearby surfaces as they may be hot even when they are dark in color. Areas near burners and grates may become hot enough to cause burns.
- During and after use, *do not* touch or let clothing or other flammable material come in contact with heated units or areas near the units (burner tops, main frame sides and back, sea rails and pot holders) until they have had sufficient time to cool.

## **Audio & Visual Equipment**

### NOTICE

AM radio reception may be impaired anytime the engine is running.

## **Dockside Television & Telephone Inlet**

Plug a dockside source into the TV/telephone inlet if you want to watch cable TV or use a telephone.



## **Chapter 9: Heating & Air Conditioning**

## Air Conditioning System (If Equipped)

## A DANGER!



CARBON MONOXIDE POISONING HAZARD!

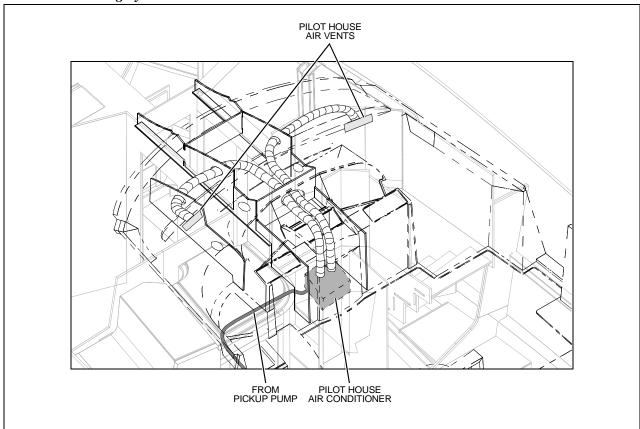
Dangerous carbon monoxide gas (CO) can be brought into the boat through the air conditioning system.

## **⚠** CAUTION!

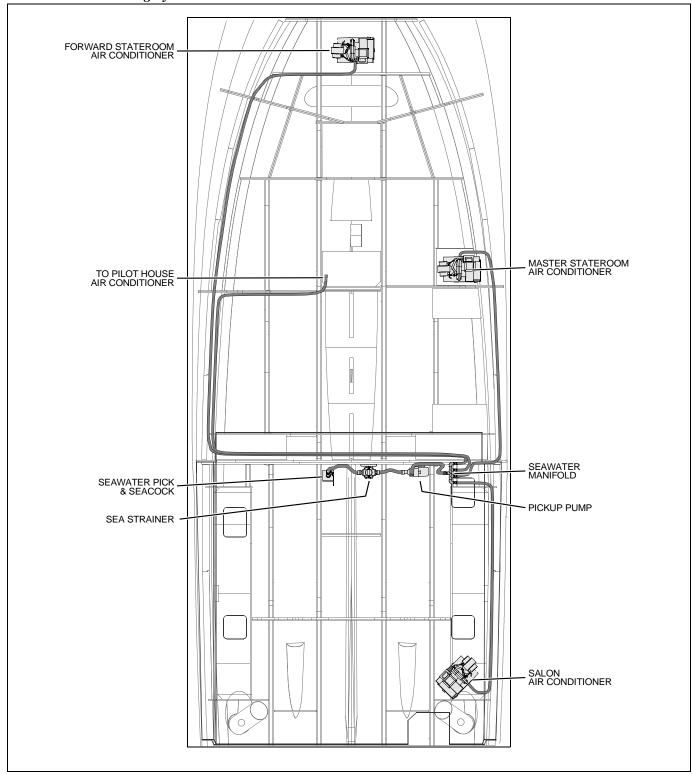
SYSTEM DAMAGE HAZARD!

The air conditioning system's seacock *must* be *Opened before* turning *On* the air conditioner and *must* remain *Open* during use.

Upper Air Conditioning System



### Lower Air Conditioning System



Read the air conditioner manual *before* using the air conditioning system.

- **Before** using the air conditioning system, make sure the breakers on the AC main distribution panel are turned **On** and make sure the system's seawater pickup seacock is **Open**. The seacock **must** remain **Open** anytime the air conditioner is in use.
- The seawater pickup strainer should be checked for debris according to the directions given in the *Seawater Strainer* section of this *Owner's Manual*.

## **Diesel Heat (If Equipped)**

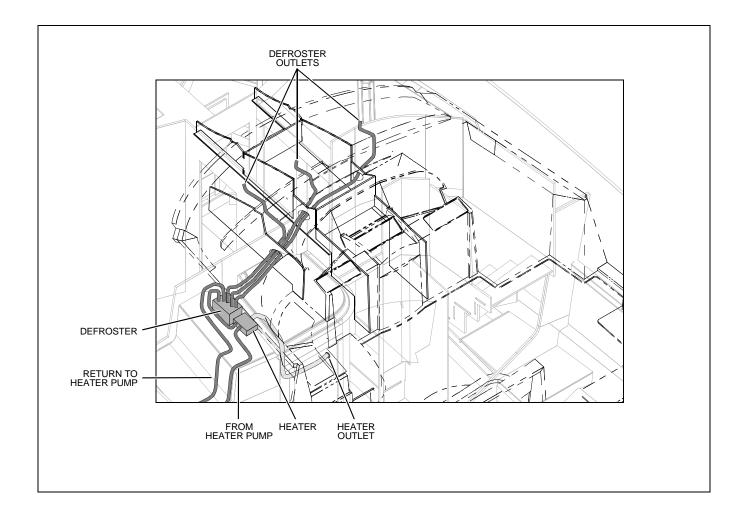
## A DANGER!

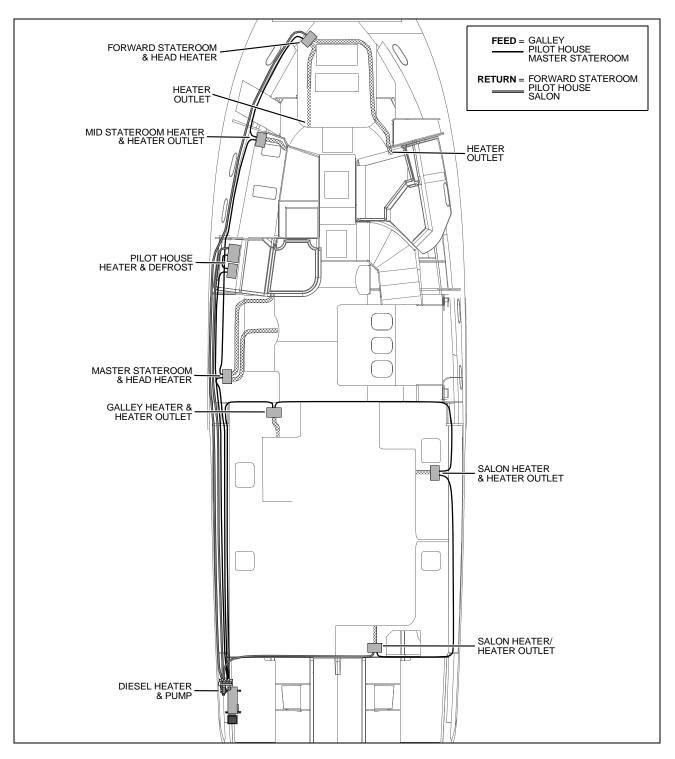
CARBON MONOXIDE POISONING HAZARD!



Carbon monoxide gas (CO) is colorless, odorless, and extremely dangerous. *All* engines, generators, and fuel burning appliances produce CO as exhaust. Direct and prolonged exposure to CO *will* cause *BRAIN DAMAGE* or *DEATH*.

- Headache
- Nausea
- Dizziness
- Drowsiness





## **Electric Heaters (If Equipped)**

- Your yacht may feature electric cabin heaters.
- Before using the electric heaters, read the electric heater's instruction manual.

**Before** using the electric heaters, make sure the breakers on the AC panel are turned **On**.

## **Chapter 10: Lights**

### **Care and Maintenance**

All of the lights installed on your yacht are of top quality, but you should be aware that failure may periodically occur for a variety of reasons:

- 1. There may be a blown fuse replace the fuse.
- 2. The bulb may be burned out carry spare bulbs for replacement.
- 3. A wire may be damaged or may have come loose repair as required.
- 4. The bulb base may be corroded clean the base and coat it with non-conductive electrical lubricant.

## **Interior & Exterior Lights**

## **∴** CAUTION!

- Be conservative in the use of battery power.
- Prolonged use of cabin interior lights (overnight) will result in a drained battery.
- The lights are powered by the yacht's 12-volt DC system.
- The house battery switch *must* be in the *On* position for the lights to work.
- There are *On/Off* light switches for different sets of lights on the cabin wall.
- Some individual lights also have a switch on the light.

## Spotlight (If Equipped)

- Read the spotlight operating instructions *before* using the spotlight.
- The spotlight controls are located at the upper helm station.

## **Chapter 11: Electrical System**

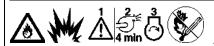
## A DANGER!



EXTREME FIRE, SHOCK & EXPLOSION HAZARD!

- To minimize the risks of fire and explosion, *NEVER* install knife switches or other arcing devices in the fuel compartments.
- *NEVER* substitute automotive parts for marine parts. Electrical, ignition and fuel system parts were designed and manufactured to comply with rules and regulations that minimize risks of fire and explosion.
- DO NOT modify the electrical systems or relevant drawings.
- Have qualified personnel install batteries and/or perform electrical system maintenance.
- Make sure that *all* battery switches are turned *Off before* performing any work in the engine spaces.

## **A** WARNING!



FIRE & EXPLOSION HAZARD!

- Fuel fumes are heavier than air and *will* collect in the bilge areas where they can be accidently ignited.
- Visually and by smell (sniff test), check the engine and fuel compartments for fumes or accumulation of fuel.
- ALWAYS run the bilge blowers for at least four minutes prior to engine starting, electrical system maintenance or activation of electrical devices.
- Minimize the danger of fire and explosion by *not* exposing the batteries to open flame or sparks. *NEVER* smoke anywhere near the batteries.

## ! CAUTION!



SHOCK & ELECTRICAL SYSTEM DAMAGE HAZARD!

NEVER disconnect the battery cables while the engine is running since it can cause damage to your yacht's electrical system components.

### NOTICE

Electrical connections are prone to corrosion. To reduce corrosion caused electrical problems, keep *all* electrical connections clean and apply a spray-on protectant that is designed to protect connections from corrosion.



## 12-Volt DC System

### **Batteries**

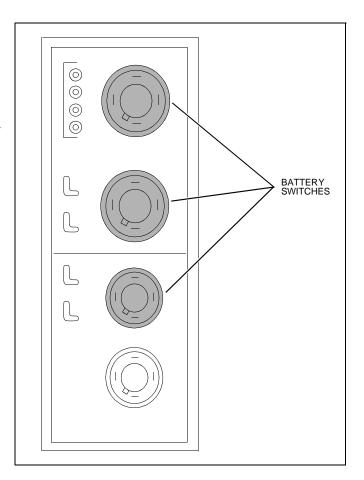
The batteries supply electricity for lights, 12-Volt accessories, and engine and generator starting.

The Electrical section of Chapter 8, in the Cruiser & Yacht Owner's Manual Supplement, provides battery, care and maintenance instructions.

### **Battery Switches**

## **⚠** CAUTION!

- Never disconnect the battery cables or turn Off the main battery switches while engines are running as this can cause damage to your boat's electrical components
- A separate battery switch is provided for each battery (or battery bank).
- The batteries supply electricity for lights, 12-Volt accessories, and engine and generator starting.
- "Stand-by loads", such as the automatic bilge pumps, and the stereo memory, are *not* affected by the battery switches. Stand-by loads bypass the battery switch and are wired directly to the battery.



### Fuses and Circuit Breakers

- Fuses and circuit breakers for engines and main accessory power are on the DC distribution panels and on the battery switch panel.
- Some equipment may have secondary fuse protection at the unit, behind the battery switch panel or at the batteries.
- Electronics power is provided at the helm station.

### 12-Volt Accessory Outlet(s)

## **!** CAUTION!

 $DO\ NOT$  use the 12-volt accessory outlet with a cigarette or cigar lighter. High temperatures may melt the outlet.

- Your boat features one or more 12-volt accessory outlets.
- The outlet can be used with any 12-volt device which draws 15 amps or less.
- The 12-volt accessory outlet is protected by a 15 amp circuit breaker on the main circuit breaker panel.

### **Alternators**

The engine alternators will keep the batteries properly charged when running at cruising speeds.

### Battery Charger or Inverter/Charger

## **∴** CAUTION!

The battery charging systems (alternator and battery charger or inverter/battery charger) installed on your yacht are designed to charge conventional lead-acid batteries. *Before* installing gel-cell or other new technology batteries, consult with the battery manufacturer about charging system requirements.

- **Before** using the battery charger or the inverter/battery charger, read **all** instructions and cautionary markings on (1) the battery charger or the inverter/battery charger, (2) the batteries, and (3) **all** appropriate sections of the battery charger manual or the inverter/battery charger manual.
- The battery switches *do not* need to be *On* when using the battery charger or the inverter/battery charger.
- You may use DC powered electrical systems, such as the lights and stereo when the battery charger or the inverter/battery charger is *On*, but there *will* be a corresponding drop in charger performance.

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## **Alternating Current (AC) System**

## ! CAUTION!

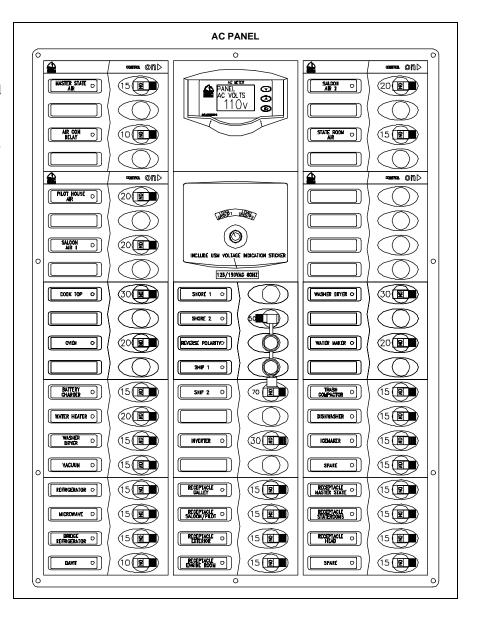
### WATER HEATER DAMAGE HAZARD!

- DO NOT turn On the water heater circuit breaker, on the AC panel, until the water heater tank is COMPLETELY filled with water.
- The tank is full if water flows from the tap when the hot water is turned On in the galley.
- Even momentary operation in a dry tank will damage the heating elements.
- Warranty replacements WILL NOT be made on elements damaged in this manner.

## NOTICE

Whether using shore power or generator power, the simultaneous use of several AC components can result in an overloaded circuit. It may be necessary to turn *Off* one or more accessories in order to use another accessory.

- The AC system can be energized by shore power, generator power (if equipped), or inverter power (if equipped).
- The master circuit breakers, located on the AC panel, provide power source selections to AC powered accessories. Individual breakers must be turned On to supply power to the accessories you wish to use.
- The AC panel may contain inactive circuit breakers for accessories that were either options or were not offered for this model yacht.



### Shore Power

## **DANGER!**



FIRE, EXPLOSION & SHOCK HAZARD!

- DO NOT alter shore power connectors and use only compatible connectors.
- Before plugging in or unplugging the shore power cord to your boat, make sure all breakers and switches on the AC master panel are turned Off.
- To prevent shock or injury from an accidental dropping of the "hot" cord into the water. ALWAYS plug the shore power cord to the boat inlet first; then to the dockside outlet. When unplugging from shore power, unplug the shore power cord from the dockside outlet first.
- NEVER leave a shore power cord plugged in to the dockside outlet only.
- Only use shore power cords approved for marine use. NEVER use ordinary indoor or outdoor extension cords that are not rated for marine use.

## **WARNING!**



SHOCK & ELECTRICAL SYSTEM DAMAGE HAZARD!

- Monitor the polarity indicator lights *EVERY TIME* you connect to shore power.
- If a reversed polarity light turns *On* when you are connecting to shore power, DO NOT turn On the main breaker switches.
- Instead, IMMEDIATELY unplug the shore power cord (ALWAYS from the dockside outlet first) and alert marina management.

## **WARNING!**



SHOCK & ELECTRICAL SYSTEM DAMAGE HAZARD!

- Before each use, check the shore power cord(s) for defects or damage.
- NEVER use damaged or faulty cords since the danger of fire and electrical shock exists.
- DO NOT pinch shore power cords in doors or hatches, or coil the shore power cord too tightly since these situations can generate enough heat to result in a fire.
- If a shore power cord is dropped into the water, THOROUGHLY dry the blades and contact slots before reusing.

## CAUTION!



ELECTRICAL SYSTEM DAMAGE HAZARD!

- NEVER connect to dockside power outside of North America unless you have purchased the international electrical conversion option.
- Using several AC components at the same time can result in an overloaded circuit. You may have to turn Off one or more appliances in order to use another appliance.
- Use double insulated or three-wire protected electrical appliances whenever possible.

### NOTICE

- Some dockside outlets may be rated less than 30 amps, therefore, you may need to purchase lower amp adapters.
- Whenever a lower amp adapter is used, however, there will be a corresponding drop in supplied power from the dockside system.

### **Connecting To Shore Power**

- 1. Review *all* hazard information at the beginning of this section, *Shore Power*.
- 2. Turn *Off all* breakers and switches on the AC master panel.
- 3. Attach the shore power cord to the yacht inlet first, then to the dockside outlet.

## A WARNING!



### SHOCK & ELECTRICAL SYSTEM DAMAGE HAZARD!

- Monitor the polarity indicator lights EVERY TIME you connect to shore power.
- If a reversed polarity light turns *On* when you are connecting to shore power, *DO NOT* turn *On* the main breaker switches.
- Instead, IMMEDIATELY unplug the shore power cord (ALWAYS from the dockside outlet first) and alert marina management.
- 4. Turn the main SHIP/SHORE breaker(s) to the "SHORE position.
- 5. Turn *On* the master breaker(s) and individual component breakers as required.

### Shore Power Cable Hoist (If Equipped)

- The shore power cable hoist allows you to easily feed out and reel in the shore power cable.
- Before using the shore power cable hoist, read the cable hoist manual, included in your owner's packet.

### Inverter (If Equipped)

- The inverter allows the batteries to supply AC power to some accessories when your yacht is *not* connected to shore power.
- Primary control is from the Inverter Remote Control Panel and redundant controls are on the inverter itself.
- *Before* using the inverter, read *all* instructions and cautionary markings on (1) the inverter, (2) the batteries, and (3) *all* appropriate sections of the inverter manual.
- Energize the AC system under inverter power by switching *On* the inverter master breaker and pressing the *On/Off* switch on the inverter control panel.
- The inverter provides AC power *only* to the accessories that have white breakers on the AC panel.

### Generator (If Equipped)

## DANGER!



#### CARBON MONOXIDE POISONING HAZARD!

Generators are a source of dangerous carbon monoxide gas (CO). Check the generator exhaust system for leaks before each use.

## **WARNING!**



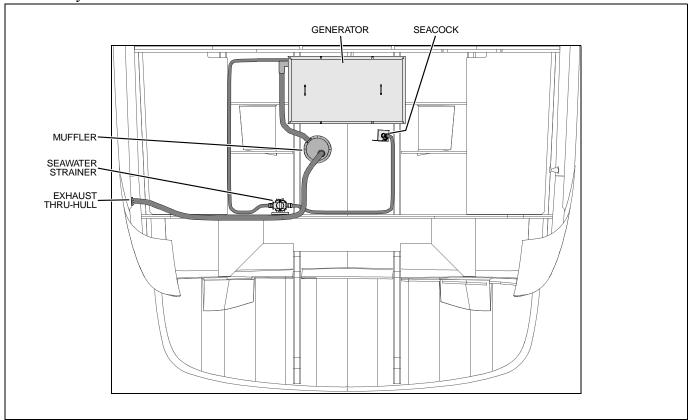
- Use the bilge blowers for a minimum of four minutes before starting the generator.
- Leave the blowers on while the generator is running unless the boat is running at cruising speed.
- Use of the blower system is *not* a guarantee that explosive fumes have been removed.
- If you smell any fuel, DO NOT start the generator.
- If the generator is already running, IMMEDIATELY shut Off the generator and all electrical accessories and investigate.
- DO NOT obstruct or modify the ventilation system.

## **CAUTION!**

### SYSTEM DAMAGE HAZARD!

- Always make sure the generator's seawater pickup seacock is Open before and during the running of the generator.
- **NEVER** use the generator starter for more than 30 seconds.
- If the generator does *not* start, wait at least 30 seconds *before* another start attempt is made.
- After starting the generator, wait for the generator to stabilize before turning On component breakers on the AC panel.

### **Generator System**

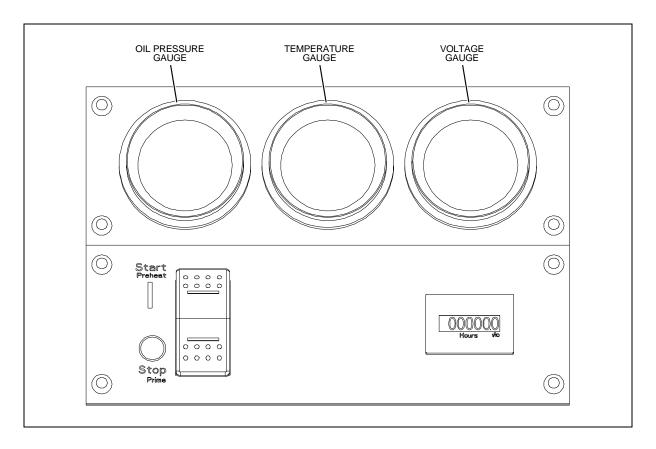


- The generator can supply 120V/60Hz power to the yacht when it is *not* connected to shore power.
- Before using the generator, read the generator operation manual for pre-start checks and break-in procedures.

### Note the following about the generator:

- Polarity has been established in the installation of the generator, therefore the polarity lights *will not* function in this mode.
- Fuel to run the main generator is supplied from the port fuel tank.
- In addition to servicing the filters attached to the generator, the filters/separators (located near the fuel line valves) should be serviced as described in the manufacturer's manual.
- The coolant mixture installed at the factory consists of equal parts of water and antifreeze (Ethylene Glycol).
- The coolant bottle for the generator is located inside the port generator compartment hatch.
- Check the generator's seawater strainer for leaks and/or debris *before* each use.
- Oil pressure, water temperature, and voltage gauges are provided on the generator control panel, inside the AC/DC cabinet on the port side of the salon. These gauges monitor the engine functions of your generator.

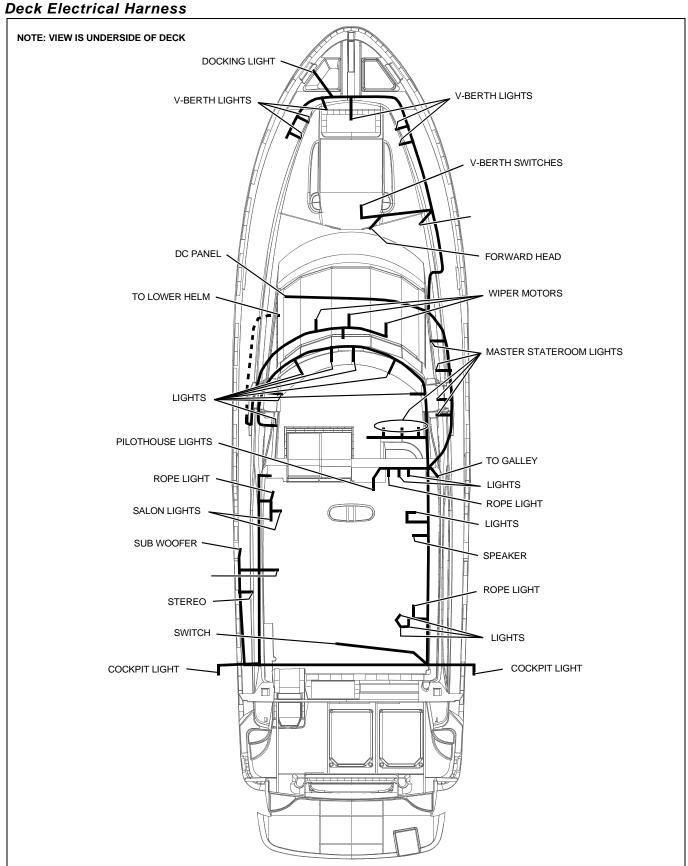
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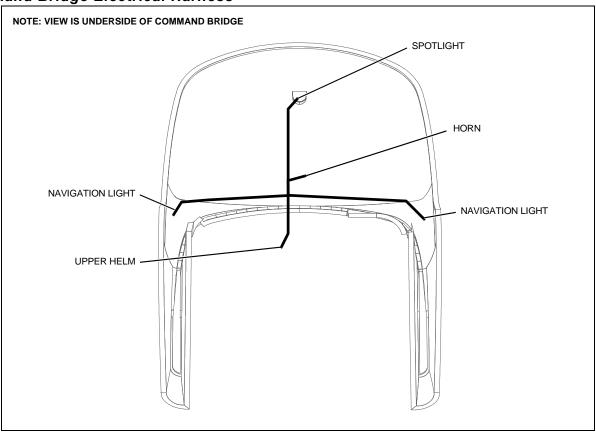
- 1. Run the bilge blowers for a minimum of four minutes *before* starting the generator.
  - If your yacht is running below cruising speed, leave the blowers *On* while the generator is running.
- 2. Make sure the generator's seawater pickup seacock is *Open before* starting and during running of the generator.
- 3. Make sure that the port engine battery switch is turned to the On position.
- 4. On the panel, press the Start/Preheat switch until the generator starts.
- 5. Turn *On* each individual component breaker as required.

To shut *Off* the generator, press the Stop/Prime switch until the generator completely shuts down.

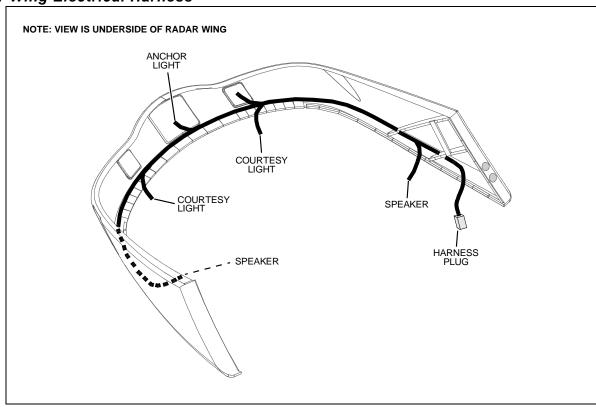
## **Electrical Routings**



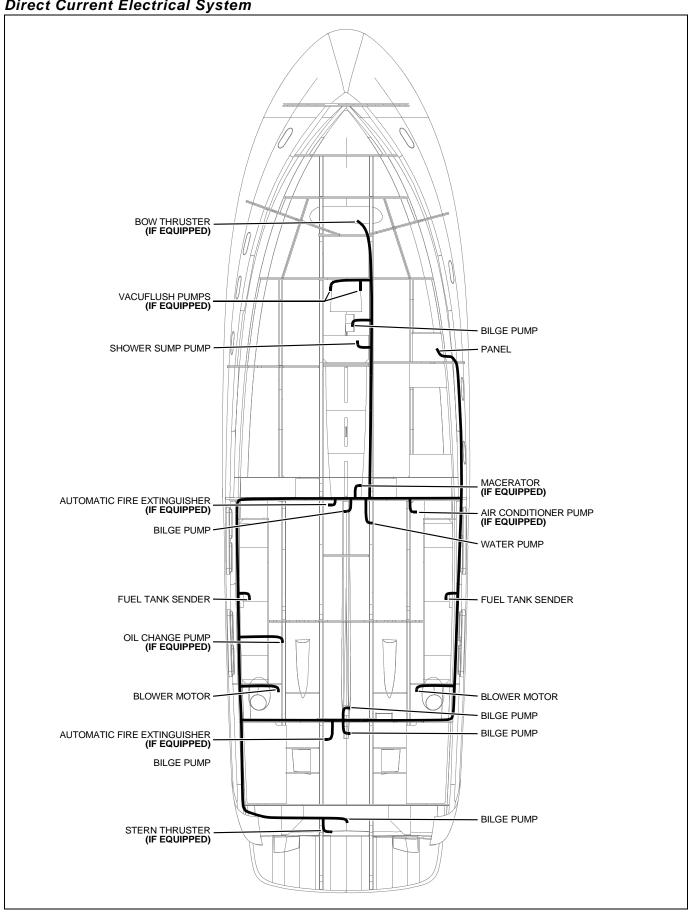
## Command Bridge Electrical Harness



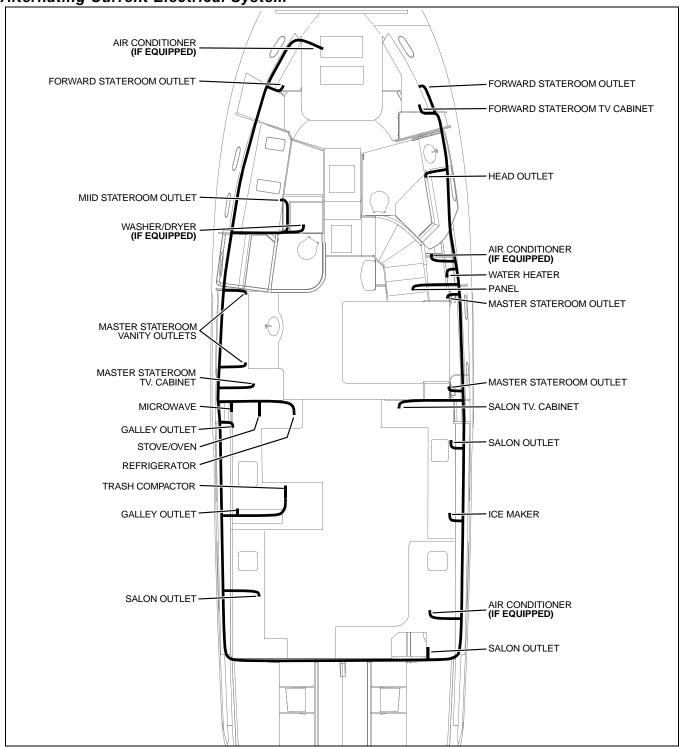
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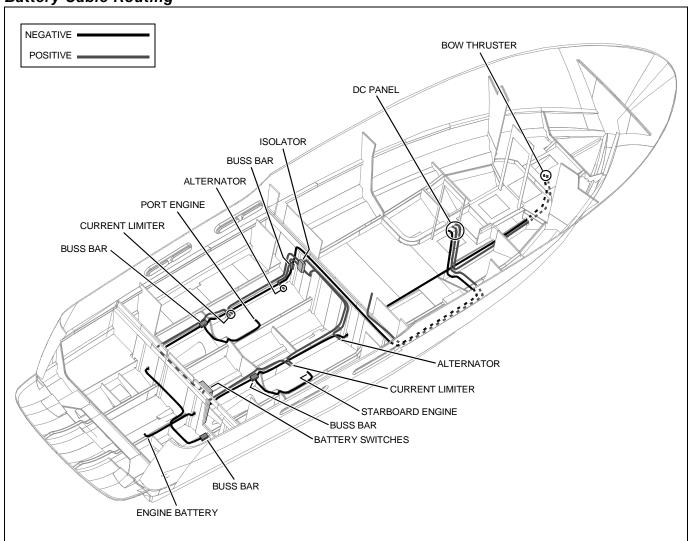
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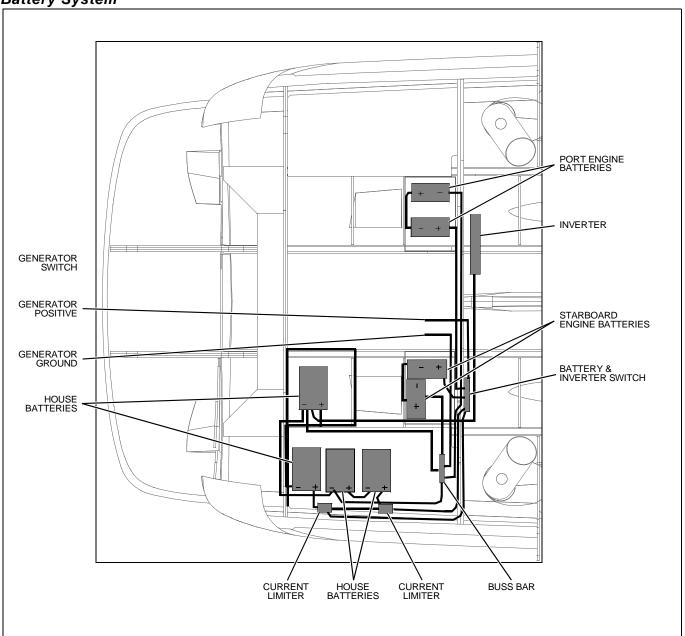
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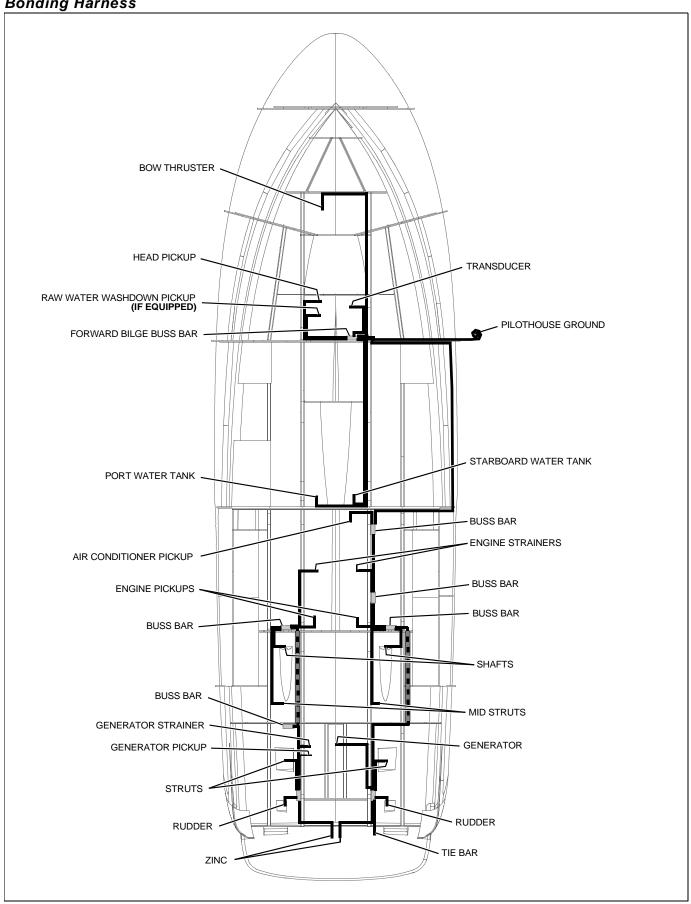
**Battery Cable Routing** 



**Battery System** 



**Bonding Harness** 



## **Wiring Diagrams**

#### Electrical Symbol Key

Symbol	Description	Symbol	Description
+	Connection (Node)	***-	Fuel Sender
+	No Connection	<b>P</b>	Incandescent Lamp
⊕⊖	Battery		Neon Lamp
Ŧ	Earth Ground: Represents a black conductor that is the same size as the colored conductor	*	Diode
A	Ammeter	⟨⟨⟩	12V DC Receptacle
Ē	Frequency Meter	V	Voltmeter
	Plug	M	Motor/Pump
•••	Breaker	<u></u>	Current Transformer
þ	Breaker	1	Solenoid
€.	Fuse	•	Gauge
✓.	Switch: Single Pole Single Throw (SPST)	A	Speaker/Horn/Alarm
1/2.	Switch: Double Pole Single Throw (DPST)	~~°	Float Switch
رق.	Lighted Switch: Single Pole Single Throw (SPST)		

#### Wire Color Key

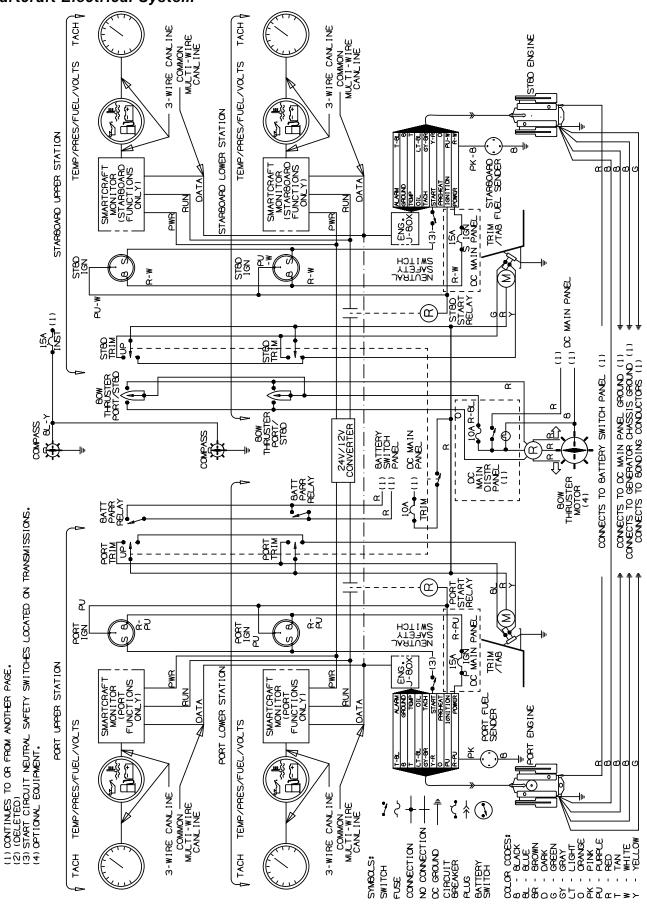
Color Key	Description	Color Key	Description
B or BLK	Black	O, OR or ORG	Orange
BL or BLU	Blue	РК	Pink
BR or BRN	Brown	PU, PUR or PPL	Purple
DK	Dark	R or RED	Red
GY or GRY	Gray	T or TAN	Tan
G, GR or GRN	Green	W, WH or WHT	White
LT	Light	Y or YEL	Yellow

## NOTICE

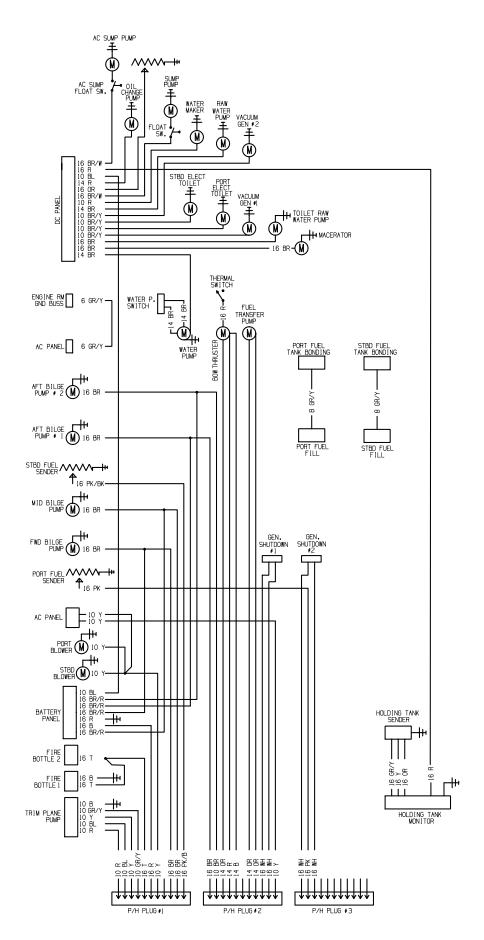
- Wiring diagrams may show optional equipment not installed on all models.
- Some yachts may come equipped with silver (-) and copper (+) colored speaker wires or red/black (-) and red/white (+) port speaker wire colors; green/black (-) and green/white (+) starboard speaker wire colors.



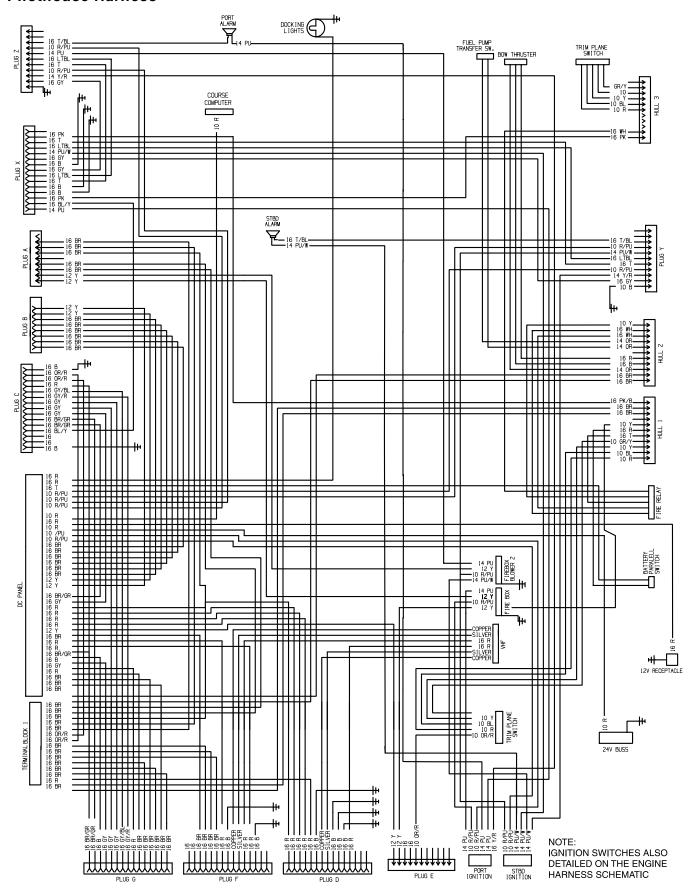
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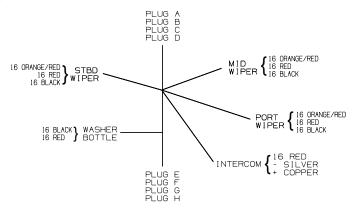
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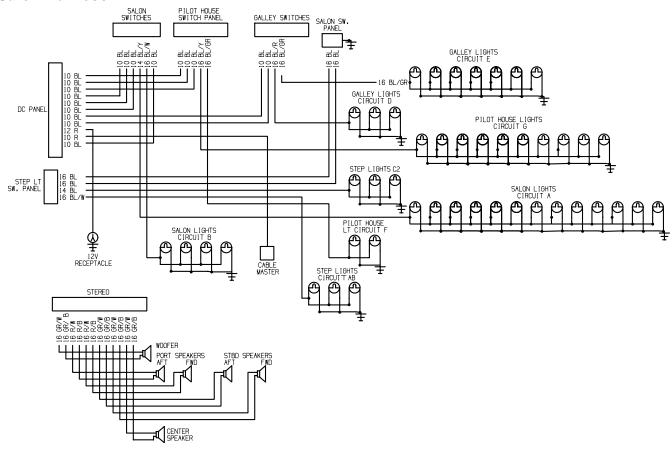
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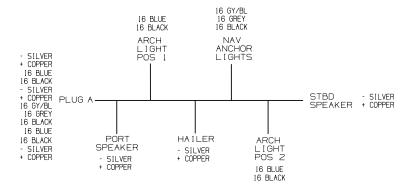
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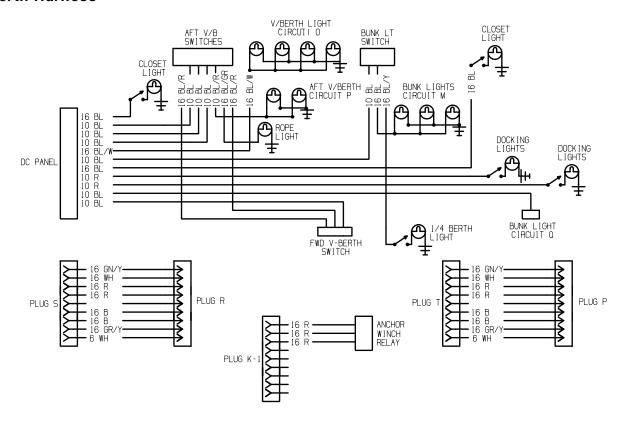
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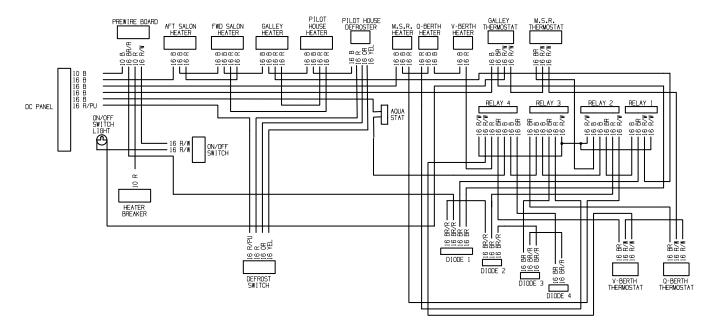
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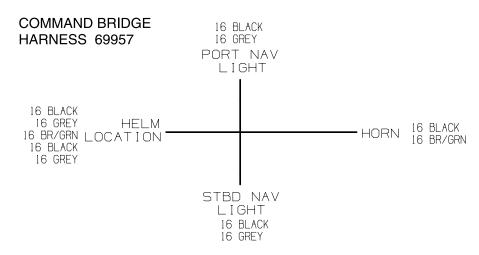
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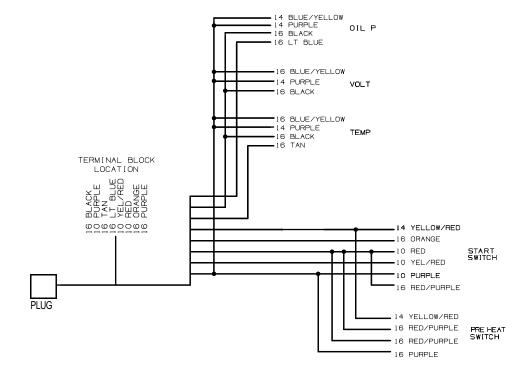
#### Diesel Heater (Option)



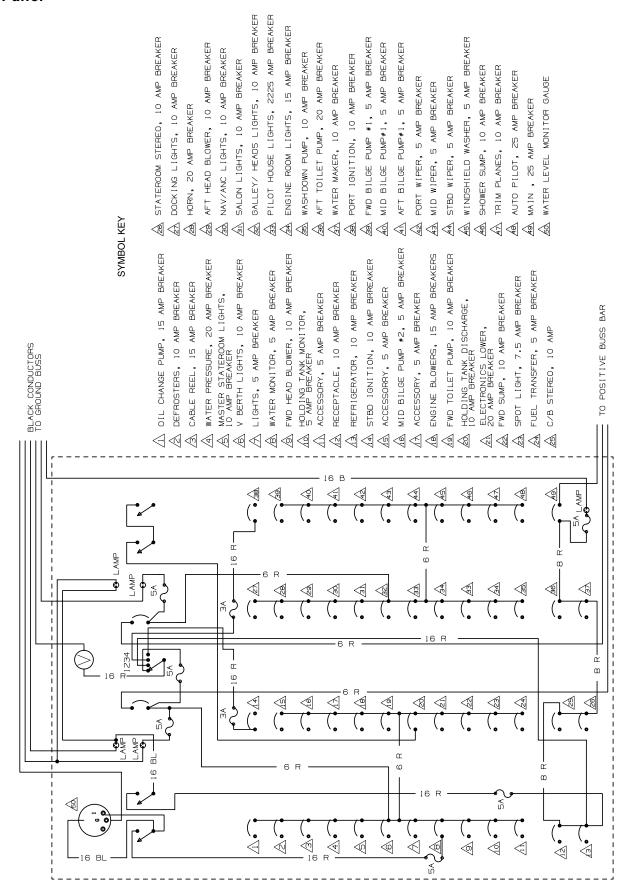
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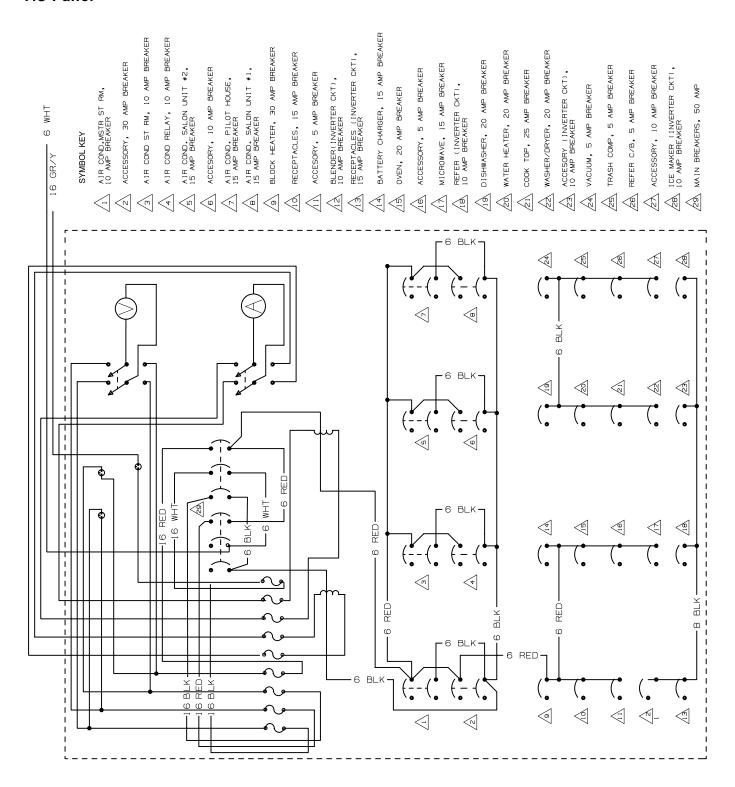
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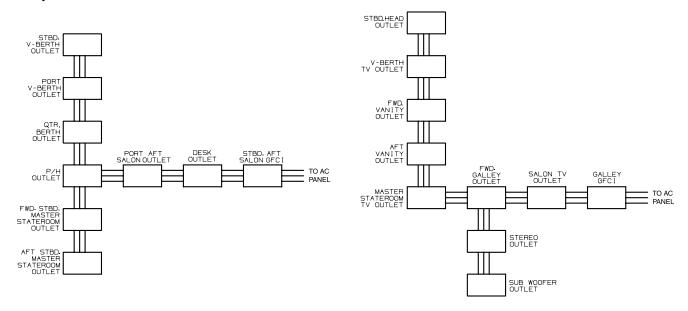
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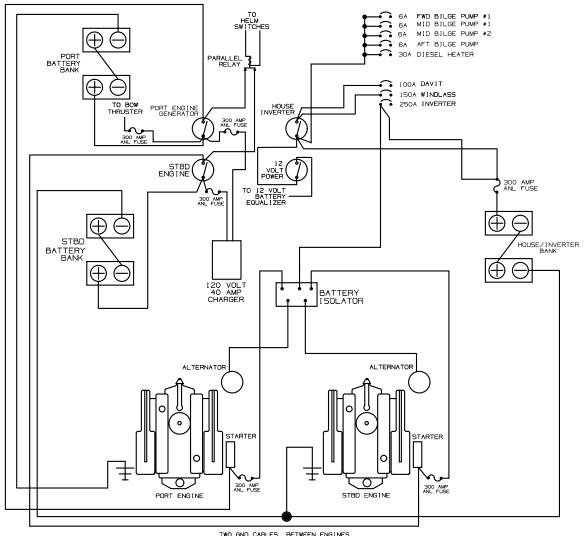
#### AC Panel



#### Receptacle Circuits



#### **Battery & Charging System**



TWO GND CABLES BETWEEN ENGINES NOT SHOWN FOR CLARITY

## **Important Records**

Selling Dealer		Plumbing		
Name Of Dealership		Fresh Water Tank Capacity	Waste Holding Tank Capacity	
A	Address	_		
		_ Key Numbers		
Phone	e/FAX/E-mail			
Sale	s Manager	Cabin	Ignition	
Servi	ce Manager	Other	Other	
Engines		Electronics		
Manufacturer	Model Name/Number	Manufacturer	Model Name/Number	
Port Engine Serial Number Starboard Engine Serial Number		Serial	Number	
Oil Type/SAE Quarts	s per Engine Filter Type	Manufacturer	Model Name/Number	
Propeller		Serial	Number	
Manufacturer	Pitch	Manufacturer	Model Name/Number	
Mod	lel Number	Serial	Number	
Generator		Manufacturer	Model Name/Number	
Manufacturer Model Name/Number		Serial	Number	
Seri	al Number	Manufacturer	Model Name/Number	
Oil Type/SAE	Quarts Filter Type	Serial	Number	
Fuel System				
Cy 3.0		Manufacturer	Model Name/Number	
Fuel Capacity	Filter Type	Serial	Number	



## Float Plan

Before going boating, fill out a copy of this float plan (or similar) and leave it with a *reliable* person whom you can depend on to contact the Coast Guard or other rescue organization, if you do not return as scheduled.

Description of Boat		Persons Onboard			
Re	gistration/Documentation N	lumber		Full Name	
Length	Make	Туре	Age	Health	Phone Number
Hull Color		Trim Color	-	Full Name	
Fuel Capacity	Engine Type	Number of Engines	Age	Health	Phone Number
	Distinguishing Features	3	, ige	Treatin	Thore Number
	Distinguishing Features	3		Full Name	
			Age	Health	Phone Number
Operator of	Boat			Full Name	
	Full Name		Age	Health	Phone Number
Male or Female	Age	Health			
	Address			Full Name	
	Address		Age	Health	Phone Number
	Phone/FAX/E-mail		-	Full Name	
	Operator's Experience		Age	Health	Phone Number
				Full Name	
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**Trip Expectations** 

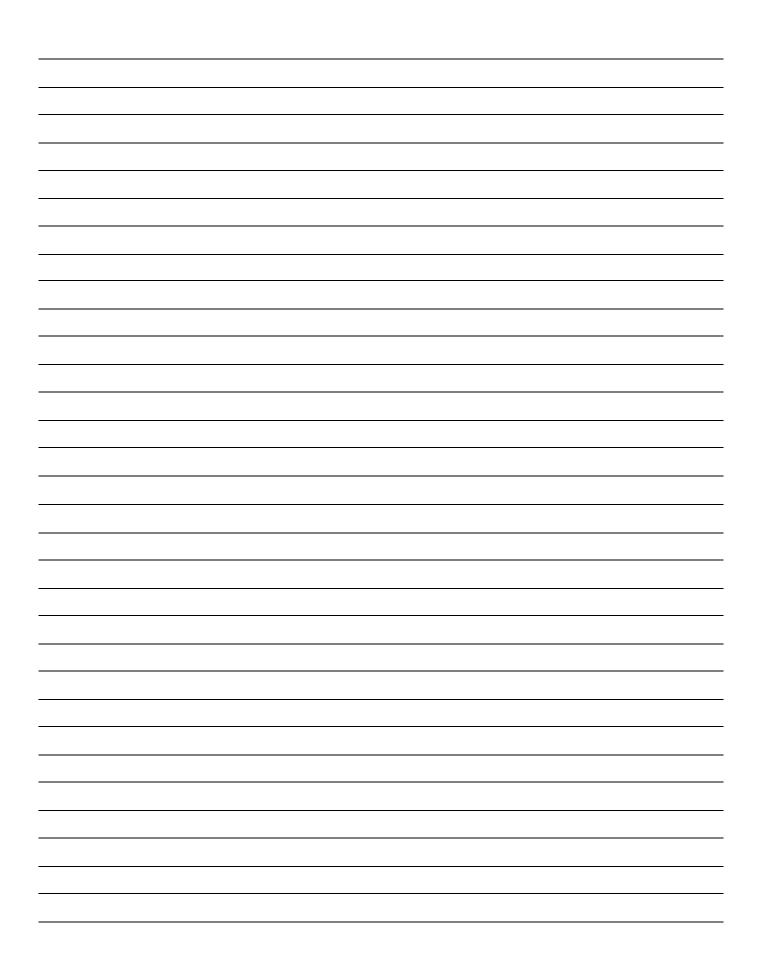
## **Survival Equipment**

Number of PFDs	Flares (Yes/No)	Mirror (yes or no)	Departi	ng From
Smoke Signals (Yes/No)	Flashlight (Yes/No)	Food (Yes/No)	Departure Date	Departure Time
Water (Yes/No)	Anchor (Yes/No)	Raft/Dinghy (Yes/No)		
			Stope	over 1
Paddles (Yes/No)	EPIRB (Yes/No)	Other		
			Arrive No Later Than: Date	Arrive No Later Than: Time
Other	Other	Other		
Marine Radio (Yes/No)	Туре	Frequencies	Stope	over 2
			Arrive No Later Than: Date	Arrive No Later Than: Time
Vehicle Desc	cription		Stone	over 3
			Оюрс	JVCI J
Make		Model	Arrive No Later Than: Date	Arrive No Later Than: Time
Color		License Number		
			Stopo	over 4
W	here is the Vehicle Parked	1?		
			Arrive No Later Than: Date	Arrive No Later Than: Time
			Stope	over 5
			Arrive No Later Than: Date	Arrive No Later Than: Time
			Stopo	over 6
			Arrive No Later Than: Date	Arrive No Later Than: Time
			Final Destination Port (If I	Different Than Home Port)
			Arrive No Later Than: Date	Arrive No Later Than: Time
			If not returned by the date the Coast Guard or other	and time listed above, ca local authority.

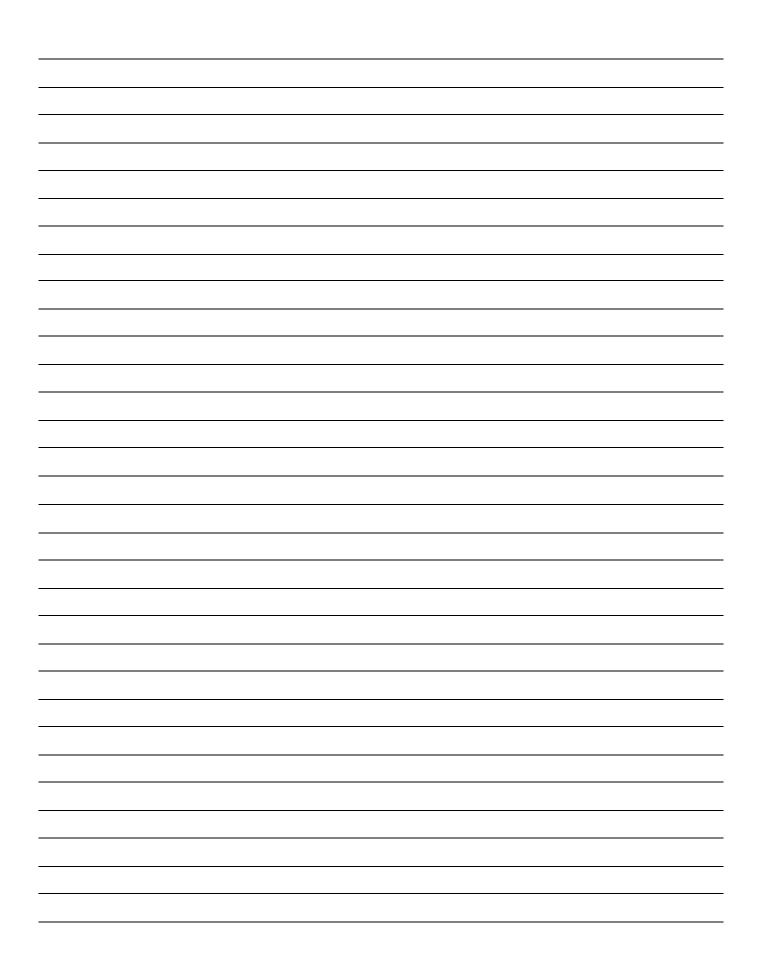


Local Authority Phone Number

## **Owner's Notes**







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