



**Information & operations manual for
Lagoon 420 Catamaran 2007
'Sea Vous Plait'**

Welcome



Welcome to Horizon Yacht Charters and your Lagoon 420 "Sea Vous Plait". We hope you had a pleasant journey and are looking forward to a fantastic holiday and some of the finest sailing in the world here.

This manual is here to guide you through the operation of your yacht. Please take the time to read this manual and don't hesitate to ask any of our professional, friendly staff if you have any questions.

All of the yachts in the Horizon fleet are maintained to the highest standards so that you may enjoy a trouble free vacation, on a beautiful yacht. Please remember that these yachts are all privately owned and we ask that you care for it like it was your own.

Best wishes for a great vacation,

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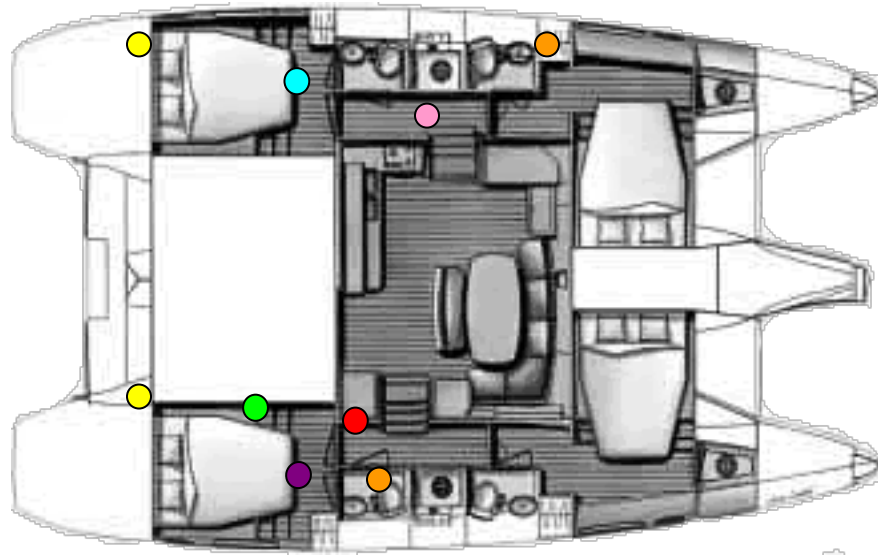
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1. Yacht Specifications



Length	41' 4"
Beam	24" 7"
Draft	4' 2"
Fuel	160 gallons
Water	212 gallons

- Breakers for air conditioning units. Located to the right of the entrance to starboard aft cabin.
- Fuel change over lever, located on the top step to the right of the bunk in the starboard aft cabin.
- Battery and generator breakers, windlass and winch breakers. Located at the foot of the bunk in the starboard aft cabin.
- Water tank change over lever, located in the central port bilge.
- Diesel refills (starboard and port transom)
- Fresh water refills (starboard and port amidships)

2. 12 volt panel & 110 volt systems



12 volt panel:

- All the switches on the 12v and 110v panels are clearly labeled. Here is an overview of what each panel contains.
- Cabin lights
- 12v outlet
- Fridge
- LPG solenoid (to operate the stove and burners)
- Fresh water pump
- Bilge pump
- Navigational instruments
- Deck floodlight
- Anchor light
- Steaming or navigational lights (when sailing or motoring at night, hence this will not be of use on charter!)

110 volt panel:

- When the vessel is plugged into shore power or the generator is running the following options are available.
- Water heater – note that this is the only method of heating water on Sea Vous PLait.
- Battery charger – this **must** be on when on shore power or under generator power to ensure the batteries charge
- A/c outlets – provides power to the sockets for using the toaster, blender etc

Breakers



- Located to the right of the entrance to the starboard aft cabin are the main breakers for the air conditioning units and 12v systems.

- Beneath the bunk in the starboard aft cabin you will find the battery (top) and generator (bottom) breakers.
- Located in this position are also the breakers for the windlass and electric winches.



- In the port aft cabin you will find the port engine battery breakers and the parallel starter.

3. Batteries

There are 3 ways to recharge your batteries.

Engines:

The batteries will need to be recharged as often as you deplete them. Conserving power will result in less time needed for charging, so turn off systems that you are not using. Your batteries will charge when the engines are running at 1400rpms or more, whether sitting at a mooring or motoring to a destination.

- Check the battery levels and make note of them before charging.
- Run the engines at 1400rpms or more for 1-1 1/2hrs.
- Shut the motor off.
- Wait 5 minutes before checking the battery levels, (directly after turning off the motor they will remain in an excited state for about 10 minutes).

Shore power:

Ensure the battery charger button on the link 2000 panel is illuminated and that the 110v battery breaker is also on.

Generator:

Ensure the battery charger switch on the 110v panel is on.

4. Engine start procedures

You have two engines on your vessel, one to operate the starboard prop and one for port. You must switch on both engines to maneuver the vessel. Start one engine and then start the other.

- Make sure engines are in neutral.
- Press the start button to engage the ignition.
- Press and hold the start button until you hear the engine start up
- Once the engines are running check you have water coming out of the exhausts.

To stop the engines:

- Press and hold the stop button until the engine stops.
- Press the off button to disengage the ignition.



Should you hear an engine alarm during operation, check which light is on and immediately shut down the engine-**CALL HORIZON**

All our yacht engines run with diesel fuel. There is a diesel filler cap on the transom which is clearly marked "DIESEL" **DO NOT PUT WATER IN HERE.**



The 2 fuel tanks on Sea Vous Plait hold a total of 180 gallons of diesel. To change from one tank to the other simply locate the change over lever in the starboard aft cabin (it is on the top step to the right of the bunk) and either push it in or pull it out depending on its original position.

5. Daily Engine Checks

The engines are located at the transom, one in each hull. It is important that you complete the following checks on both engines.

- Check the oil level using the dip stick located on the right of the engine. The level should be at least halfway between the empty and full marks. To add oil open the yellow oil filler cap on the top of the engine.
- To the back left of the engine is the engine coolant reservoir (hidden from view on the picture). The coolant level should be between the maximum and minimum lines.
- Check for any engine leaks or bilge water below engine.
- Check the belt for any damage and correct tension.

KEEP HANDS CLEAR OF ALL MOVING PARTS.

ANY PROBLEMS CALL HORIZON

Coolant reservoir



Oil refill

Oil dip stick



6. Generator

Sea Vous Plait is fitted with its own generator which will run the 110v outlets, the air conditioning and will also charge the batteries. The generator is located beneath the cockpit seating area. The main breaker for the generator is located on the top left side of the generator towards the back of the panel.

Generator main breaker



To manually start the generator:

- Make sure all the 110v systems and air conditioning units have been switched off prior to starting the generator.
 - Press the top of the "GenSet" switch.
 - After a slight delay the light on the switch will flash and go green, you will hear the generator start.
- Allow the generator to warm up for 5 minutes and then gradually load up the system, adding one load every 5 minutes.
- Stopping the generator
- Press the bottom of the generator switch and hold until the generator stops.

There is no need to check oil or coolant levels on the generator. The generator will tell you when something is wrong. If the generator fails to start count the number of amber flashes indicated on the start button.

7. Air conditioning

The air conditioning unit will operate **only** when the generator is running. Each cabin has its own individual air con unit and there is a 5th unit located in the saloon.



Operate the air conditioning as follows:

- Switch on the power button
- Select "cool" via the mode button
- Select your base temperature using the temperature controls
- Select fan strength using the fan control

Load up the generator with one air conditioning unit every five minutes so that the generator does not overload and trip out.

8. Instruments



Located at the helm are three Raymarine ST60 instruments:

- Wind Indicator
- Bi-data
- Autopilot

There is also a Raymarine GPS Chart Plotter.

9. VHF Procedures

Using the VHF radio:

Familiarise yourself with the method for switching channels, and with the squelch and volume controls on your radio. Most radios have a button to instantly select Channel 16 – ensure you understand how this operates or you could end up speaking on Ch. 16 when you think you are on some other channel.

1. Make sure the radio is switched on, volume quite high, power to high unless the station you are calling is very close.
2. Squelch up until loud hissing, and then back a little until the noise *just* stops.
3. Select the channel for calling (Channel 16, unless specified otherwise).
4. Press switch on microphone when speaking. Release immediately.

If no response then wait two minutes and repeat the call. If still no response, wait a further two minutes before trying again. If calling on Channel 16, it is very important to switch to a working channel after the contact is established. Do not use Channel 16 for your conversations – this channel is for hailing and distress only.

Channels to use:

- 16 Hailing and Distress
- 74 Contact Horizon Yacht Charters (when in range)
- 12 Yacht Charter Companies working channel – assigned for yacht breakdown servicing and emergency only
- 68 Marinas and Yacht Clubs – for lunch/dinner reservations etc
- 06 Ship to Ship – along with Channel 68 and 77 can be used for contact between boats

In the event that your vessel is involved in a non-life threatening incident with an object or with another vessel, it is important that you contact the Horizon Office immediately at 494 8787 or 542 8788. Please remember to get as much information as possible about your location, the other vessel's description and what damage has been done to your vessel so that we can best assist you.

Failure to report any accidents or incidents in a timely manner may result in nullification of your hull damage insurance.

Types of emergency:

In the unlikely event that you are involved in an emergency stay calm and follow these steps. You will also have an Emergency Procedure card next to your VHF.

Distress: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY." This is an International Distress signal and an imperative call for assistance. It is used only when a life or vessel is considered to be in grave and imminent danger.

Mayday Relay: used to summon help for a vessel which is either too far offshore to contact the coastguard directly, without radio capabilities or whose radio has been damaged or destroyed.

Urgency: "PAN-PAN, PAN-PAN, PAN-PAN" This is the International Urgency Signal and is used when a vessel or person is in some jeopardy but is not considered to be in grave and imminent danger.

Medical emergency: "PAN-PAN MEDICO, PAN-PAN MEDICO, PAN-PAN MEDICO" (Pronounced med-ick-oh). This is an International Urgency Signal that should be used when medical advice is needed.

Safety: "SECURITE, SECURITE, SECURITE" (Pronounced Say-cure-it-tay). This is an International Safety Signal and is a message about some aspect of navigational safety or a weather warning.

How to issue an emergency message

Select Channel 16 and press transmit button on handset

Say slowly and clearly 'MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY, CALLING ALL STATIONS

This is.... (vessel name)....' and repeat vessel name 3 times

Give position – vessel's position in degrees of latitude and longitude or nautical miles from, and bearing to, a navigational landmark

Describe emergency – list the problem, the type of assistance needed; number of passengers aboard (boat length, hull colour and type is also useful)

Wait 1 minute for a response, repeat message

ALTERNATIVELY: Dial either 767 or 999 from any BVI cell phone or call 494- HELP (4357)

10. Heads

- Nothing is to be put down the head unless it has been digested first.
- The heads use salt water to flush out the systems so please use plenty of water when operating the heads.
- Prior to use, press the bottom left button to add water to the bowl.
- Press the right side of the bottom button to pump out waste; this must be done when you are more than 1000 yards off shore.
- Press the top switch to flush the pan and pipes, use plenty of water as this will keep your heads smelling fresh.
- Press the lower right switch again and pump the pan and pipes dry, the bowl should always be left dry.
- Wherever possible please use the heads ashore as this keeps our waters nice and clean.
- **Blocked heads will be cleared at a cost to you of \$120.00 sewage fee, plus a technician's fee of \$60 per hour and the call out fee.**



Use the top button to flush through the bowl and lines

The bottom right side of the switch empties the bowl and lines of waste and water

The bottom left side of the switch adds water to the bowl. Use this switch prior to using the head

11. Fresh water system

Sea Vous Plait is equipped with two water tanks with a capacity of 212 gallons.

Before filling the tanks let the water run from the hose for a while before placing the end into the filler. Please ensure that the correct fillers are used, NOT the holding tanks or the diesel fill.

To use the fresh water system, turn on the fresh water breaker on the 12v panel and open a faucet. When the tank runs out of water the pump will run at high speed and the faucet will start to cough air. As soon as you hear the pump running continuously, check to see if anyone is using water. If not, switch off the pump immediately to prevent the pump from drawing more air into the system or the pump overheating.



Change over the water tanks as follows:

- Locate the change over lever beneath the floorboards in the port hull. Change over the tanks by turning the lever 90 degrees.
- Switch on the freshwater pump and turn on one of the taps and run the water until you see the pressure increase and the flow of water becomes steady.
- Close the tap and switch off the freshwater pump. The pump should stop running once it is primed.

There is a water level gauge located to the left of the 12v panel. Simply press the top button twice to see the level of tank 2, and again to see tank 3. Tank 1 is not in use.



12. Showers

Your yacht has a hot & cold, fresh-water shower in each head and on the transom.

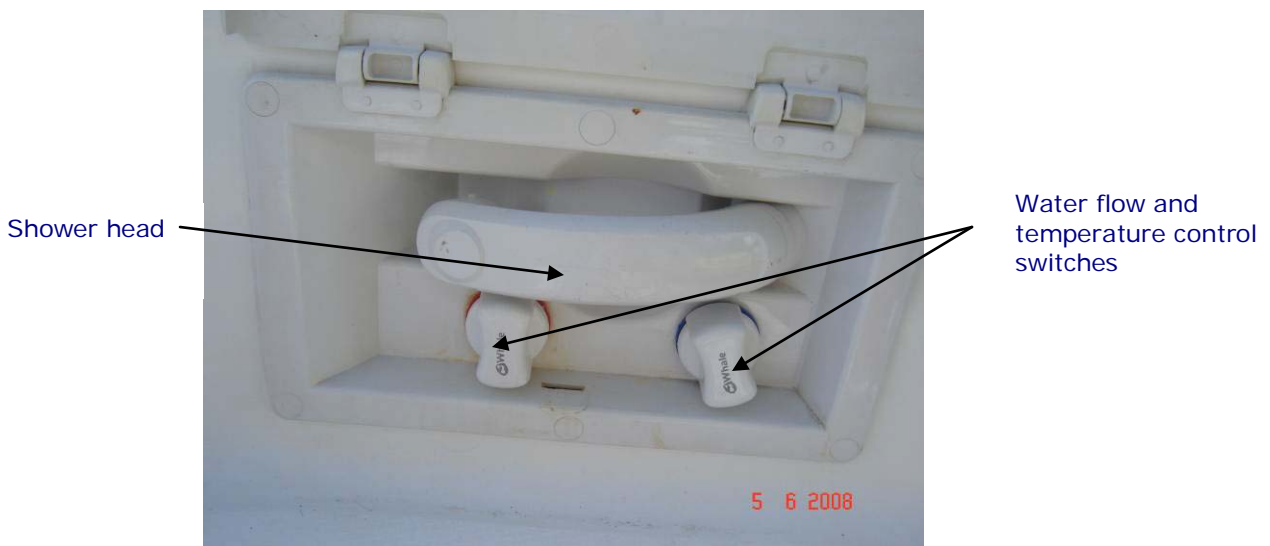
To create hot water you must run the generator and switch on the water heater on the 12v panel. In order to use the showers, the fresh-water pump must be activated on the 12V panel.

The shower drains are operated via a float switch and will automatically operate once you start to use the shower.

Transom Shower

The valves below the shower head will switch the water on and also control the temperature of the water. The red valve controls the hot water and the blue valve the cold water.

To use the shower head simply pull it out and press the button on the back. If no water comes out....make sure that the 12V water switch is on, that the shower hose is not kinked and that valves are open sufficiently.



13. Bilge Pumps

Your yacht is equipped with two manual and four electric bilge pumps, one in each hull and one in each engine compartment. The bilges are operated by 2 large switches located beneath the 12v panel and these should always be left in the "on/auto" position so that the float switches will automatically start the bilge pumps when they detect water. There is also a smaller switch on the 12v panel which should also be on "auto" for the float switch to work.



The manual pumps are located in the cockpit and will be pointed out to you during your briefing. It is important that you check all the bilges once a day.

14. Refrigeration

There are 2 upgraded 12v refrigerators and a freezer onboard your vessel. This system is designed to run 24hrs a day if you wish. To ensure that it does not fail there are two things you should do.

- Firstly, keep your batteries charged. If the level goes below 12v the system will malfunction. Refer to section 12 for charging instructions.
- Secondly, do not puncture the cold plate in your fridge! Do not chip at the ice or use any other sharp items in the fridge. If something is frozen to the side of the fridge do not force it away. Pour warm water on it if you need to melt the ice.

Ask one of our staff for a deck cooler if you would like one for storing your drinks. It will keep the drinks cooler and the refrigeration colder, as people will not be going in it every 5 minutes for a drink.

Please note that we are in the tropics and we cannot guarantee that items will remain frozen when placed in the fridge and that fruit, vegetables and other fresh produce may have a shortened shelf life.

Fridge drain

The chest fridge and freezer are both self draining.

15. Propane and stove

The propane tank locker is located in the cockpit beneath the port seating area.

To use:

- Ensure the valve on the propane tank is open.
- Turn the LPG switch on the 12v panel. This opens the solenoid on the tank.
- To light, turn the knob you want 90 degrees anticlockwise, push the knob in and light the burner using the matches provided.
- Hold the knob in for 10-15 seconds, then release. Make sure that the flame goes all the way around. Reduce any wind that may hinder this by closing hatches or switching off fans.
- Light the oven in the same way, pressing the knob in whilst holding your match to either the top or bottom burner. The stove is also equipped with a timer.

The 12v solenoid system is USCG approved device. You do not need to shut any manual valves unless you wish.



All of our yachts are fitted with propane detectors. The propane 'sniffer' has been placed in the bilge (propane is heavier than air and so will sink into the bilge). The detectors are sensitive to several types of gas and will trigger the alarm. The alarm can also be triggered if there is moisture in the bilge. If the alarm sounds it does not necessarily mean that the propane system is leaking, so don't panic!!

In the event that the alarm goes off follow these steps:

- Close the valve on the propane tank.
- Check the stove and surrounding area for propane smell.
- If detected, open up the bilges and hatches. Point the boat downwind and use the manual bilge pump to pump out the bilges.
- Call Horizon immediately

Under no circumstances should you use the electrical bilge pumps or any other electrical system if you suspect a gas leak.

16. BBQ

- When using the BBQ, tie your dinghy off at the side of the yacht, not off the stern
- Never use the BBQ while sailing
- Never use the BBQ on a dock
- Never change propane tanks when using the BBQ
- Make sure someone is always tending the BBQ when hot
- Call us if you have too much food



17. Fire Safety

Prevention is the best answer to fire safety.

- Always switch off the safety solenoid when stove is not in use
- Never leave the stove or oven burning unattended.
- Never change propane tanks whilst barbecuing.
- Never smoke inside.
- Never smoke when changing propane tanks.
- Safely store any flammable liquids (for example charcoal lighter fuel).
- Keep matches away from children.

Open fire:

- Pull out the yellow safety tab.
- Point the extinguisher at the base of the fire and press down on the red button to discharge contents.
- Generously cover the base of the fire and surrounding area to ensure the fire is under control and cannot spread. Continue discharging extinguisher until the fire is out.



Galley fire:

- Take the fire blanket out of its container. Read the instructions for use carefully.
- Ensure hands and limbs are protected from the fire by the blanket.
- Carefully lay the blanket over the fire, laying the blanket away from you and keeping yourself protected at all times from the flames.
- Once in place leave the blanket until all heat has gone from the scene of the fire, this way you can be sure that the fire has definitely gone out and will not re-ignite.

18. Anchoring & the windlass

Setting your anchor:

Preparation:

- Establish a non verbal communication system from bow to stern, as with the noise of the engine and wind, verbal communication proves difficult.
- Tie the dinghy painter close to the boat at the bow or amidships to avoid wrapping it around the prop.

Location:

- Choose a clear area to anchor in, normally in 12 to 25 feet. A white bottom is sand and perfect for anchoring. A brown or green bottom will be grass, rock or coral. **Only anchor in sand.**
- Make sure that you are not on a lee shore; i.e. that the land mass is protecting you from the elements and that you are not being pushed onto the shore. **A lee shore is the most dangerous place to anchor your yacht.**

Action:

- Manually lift the anchor over the bow roller and feed the chain so the anchor is just above the water surface.
- Use the elements; approach from down wind or current, whichever prevails.
- Once the yacht is stationary use the electric windlass to drop the anchor. The elements will push you back and away from the anchor.
- Minimum scope is 5:1. In heavy weather you may want to increase that, always ensuring your swing area is clear of any obstacles.
- Engage reverse, slowly building up to 1500 rpm to really drive your hook into the sand.
- Once set, put the engine in neutral and allow the yacht to settle, take transits around the bay to ensure you are not dragging, it is always advisable to snorkel the anchor and ensure it is bedded in correctly and not just lying on its side.

Attaching the snubbing line:

- Once you are happy that the anchor is set you must attach the snubbing line. The snubbing line protects the windlass and it is important that you attach the snubber every time you set the anchor.
- Attach the hook around the chain link (the hook is too big to go through the link) and cleat off the bitter end of the line to a bow cleat. Pay out enough chain so that the snubbing line becomes taut.
- If the hook falls off the chain it means that there is not enough tension on the line. In this case re-attach the hook and pay out more chain until the line is once again taut.

Setting a secondary anchor:

- If a second anchor is required, e.g. you are anchoring in a mooring field and need to control your swing room, deploy the primary as above and attach the secondary at the bow. Drive the boat forward at a 45 degree angle to the primary. Once in line with the primary deploy the secondary and allow the elements to push you back. Increase astern to 1500 rpm to drive in the secondary. Snorkel over the anchor to ensure a good hold.

Manual operation of the windlass

If you lose power to your windlass, start the engine and give it some revs, to make sure you have not just got a low battery voltage. If you still have no power, you can operate the windlass manually.



To drop the anchor, insert your windlass handle into the central opening on top of the windlass.

Turn the windlass handle so that the hold on the chain loosens.

Your anchor is now ready to drop.

Remove the safety line or safety pin, and push the anchor over the bow, keeping hands and feet clear. Control the rate the chain pays out by tightening or loosening the windlass with the handle.

When you have paid out sufficient chain, between 5 to 8 times the water depth, tighten the windlass completely to stop more chain from falling. Increase revs to 1500 rpm to set the anchor. If you drag, pay out more chain, and re-try 1500 rpm in reverse. When the anchor is set, fit the snubbing line then release more chain on the gypsy so that the load is taken up on the snubbing line.

To raise the anchor, put the windlass handle in the outside opening and ratchet back and forth. It can be quicker if you pull the anchor up by hand as the helmsperson motors forward a little at a time, to give you slack on the chain. If you are reasonably fit and strong, it is possible to heave an anchor aboard, even on a 55 footer!

19. Picking up a mooring buoy

- Ensure dinghy painter tied off short on the bow or amidships and clear of the prop.
- Approach mooring buoy, keeping the bow into the wind or current, whichever prevails.
- Have a crew member on the bow to pick up the mooring pennant with the boat hook.
- The bowman will direct the helmsman to the mooring, using the already established non verbal communication system. Once at the mooring, inspect the buoy and pennant for any signs of wear and tear - generally the overnight moorings are well maintained, the day balls to a lesser degree. If you are ever unsure about a mooring buoy's integrity, choose another location to moor up.
- Attach the bridle to the pennant using the attached clip
- Once set you will have a bridle around the bow of the boat holding the yacht head to wind, remember to centralize wheel and lock in place to avoid the yacht sailing around the buoy.
- Now set up a second back up line. Go directly to the mooring buoy if possible. It is always easier to do this from the dinghy.
- To depart, slowly motor the yacht forward to create slack, release the clip from the pennant and allow the pennant to drop into the water. Fall back with the wind or current, and be careful not to foul your prop on the pennant.
- **Remember to tie your dinghy away from the stern whenever you are maneuvering in close quarters.**

20. Dinghy & Outboard

The driver of the dinghy must be over 18, and must at all times be wearing the kill cord. Never operate the dinghy under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

- Always tow your dinghy on a short line while maneuvering in close quarters and a long line while sailing in open water, always tow with the engine tilted forward as it gives you an extra half knot and prevents unnecessary damage.
- If conditions are very rough, the outboard needs to be mounted on the push-pit.
- When going ashore for an evenings entertainment allocate a dinghy captain, someone who will bring the whole crew back to the boat safely, allowing the rest of the crew to enjoy various local cocktails and concoctions.
- To start the engine, lower the outboard into the water using the lever on the starboard side of the engine. The lever position corresponds to the motor position, up and fwd for towing and back and down for driving. Check you are in neutral and **the safety cord is in place**. For starting an engine that has been at rest for 3 or more hrs use the choke. Pull the choke out, and set a few revs with the throttle. Do not twist the throttle trying to prime the engine. You will only flood it. Face the engine and pull the start cord and push the choke back in as soon as it runs. If it runs for a second but cuts out, try again without the choke.
- To stop the engine, press the button on top of the kill cord, or pull the kill cord out.
- Keep the kill cord with you to prevent anyone from borrowing it. You have been provided with a dinghy lock and cable. Use them.
- Do not drag the dinghy onto a beach; anchor it off or put it on a dock with a stern anchor to prevent damage from going under or hitting the dock.
- Do not speed in and around other yachts, speeding fines have been introduced.
- At night an all round white light must be displayed along with red & green side lights, and it is always a good idea to have a flashlight with you, to show the way, and warn other vessels of your presence.
- Wear the life preservers provided in the cockpit lockers when in the dinghy.
- GAS to OIL ratio, 1 Gall = 3 ounces.

