



STATION 106 - SHUSWAP

Sinking Procedures

1. Assuming you cannot stop the incoming water and you have run through the procedures for a grounding/object strike then prepare to abandon ship.
2. Make sure everyone is wearing a PFD and is accounted for!
3. Call Mayday on the radio channel 16 or phone 911!
4. Signal for help using a flare or other recognized signalling device.
5. Grab your ditch bag (deploy dinghy or life raft if you have one).
6. Abandon ship and stay with the boat if it floats overturned.
7. If the boat completely sinks then swim to land if it is close, otherwise maintain the fetal position to preserve body heat. If there are multiple people in the water then huddle together chest to chest to preserve body heat.
8. If you are still able to signal then do so with handheld radio, lights, arms, etc.