

# Safety on the Water Radio & Weather Sticker (actual size A5) Revised 3/7/07

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>EMERGENCY DSC RADIO PROCEDURES</b></p> <p>If the boat or a person is in grave and imminent danger and immediate assistance is required.</p> <p><b>Always ensure that your DSC radio set has your current position entered into it.</b></p> <p><small>Note that this may be done automatically if your radio is interfaced with a GPS set.</small></p> <p>⇒ <b>Option 1</b> (sends an undesignated distress signal)</p> <p>⇒ Lift the cover on the red SOS button &amp; press the button for at least 5 seconds.</p> <p>⇒ Wait 15 seconds and send a Mayday using voice as laid out on the attached card.</p> <p>⇒ <b>Option 2</b> (sends a designated distress signal)</p> <p>⇒ Lift the cover on the red SOS button &amp; press the button momentarily.</p> <p>⇒ Follow the menu instructions and select the type of emergency.</p> <p>⇒ Lift the cover on the red SOS button &amp; press the button for at least 5 seconds.</p> <p>⇒ Wait 15 seconds and send a Mayday using voice as laid out on the attached card.</p> <p><small>As DSC radio sets vary in the way they are set up and used, always ensure that you have studied the manual carefully. The radio will not operate correctly unless you have correctly programmed your MMSI number into it.</small></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>EMERGENCY VHF RADIO PROCEDURES</b></p> <p>If the boat or a person is in grave and imminent danger and immediate assistance is required.</p> <p>⇒ Check that your radio is switched on and high power setting is selected.</p> <p>⇒ <b>Select Channel 16</b></p> <p>⇒ <b>Press the transmit button</b>, and say slowly &amp; clearly:</p> <p>⇒ <b>Mayday, Mayday, Mayday</b></p> <p>⇒ <b>This is ...</b> (repeat the name of your boat 3 times)</p> <p>⇒ <b>Mayday, This is...</b> (name of your boat said once)</p> <p>⇒ <b>My position is...</b> (use latitude and longitude, or a true bearing and distance <i>from</i> a known point. .....If you don't know, don't guess.</p> <p>⇒ <b>I am ...</b> (sinking, on fire, etc.)</p> <p>⇒ <b>I require immediate assistance.</b></p> <p>⇒ <b>I have...</b> (number of people on board and any other useful information—drifting, flare fired etc.)</p> <p>⇒ <b>Over</b> - this means please reply</p> <p>⇒ <b>Now release the transmit button</b> and listen for a reply</p> <p>⇒ Keep listening on Channel 16 for instructions</p> <p>⇒ If you hear nothing then repeat the distress call.</p>
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**WEATHER FORECASTS  
& GALE WARNINGS**

By phone:-	Weatherdial 1550 123 855
By fax:-	Weatherfax 1550 131 838
Web:-	www.met.ie
Radio:-	RTÉ Radio 1 on MW at 567 & 729 kHz FM at 88 - 90 MHz times available in press or www.rte.ie
VHF Radio:- <small>(Local Time)</small>	Announcements on Channel 16 at 0103, 0403, 0703, 1003, 1303, 1603, 1903, 2203.
NAVTEX <small>(UTC)</small>	Malin Head (Q) & Valentia (W) at 0740, 1040, 1940, 2240.

**GALE WARNINGS AND SMALL CRAFT WARNINGS ONLY**  
SMALL CRAFT WARNINGS ONLY ISSUED APRIL - SEPTEMBER

VHF Radio <small>(Local Time)</small>	On Channel 16 at time of issue, and at 0033, 0633, 1233 and 1833.
NAVTEX	Malin Head (Q) & Valentia (W) on receipt.

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