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These are general guidelines. Please refer to your vessel and equipment manuals for manufacturer recommendations.

Fall Decommissioning Checklist

Freshwater

- Empty water tanks, lines and pumps. Drain hot water heater and create bypass. Run non-toxic (propylene glycol) antifreeze through all lines including sinks in galley and head as well as the shower.
- Inspect pump impellers and grease.
- Inspect hoses and clamps, and replace if necessary before winterizing.
- Service water maker
- Order new filters for spring

Saltwater

- Close intake seacocks and run antifreeze throughout. Remember all systems, engine, genset, refrigeration and saltwater washdown.

AC/Refrigeration

- Pump antifreeze through cooling system

Head

- Empty holding tank at pumpout facility, rinse with fresh water, and empty out. Add antifreeze.
- Pump head dry. Lubricate with oil and run antifreeze through bowl, intake and discharge hoses. Lubricate gaskets and seacocks.

Bilge

- Pump bilge dry and pour antifreeze in

Seacocks

- Check all seacocks, lubricate, and close

Engine, Genset and Transmission

- Replace air filter
- Pump drain oil and replace filter. Top off with fresh oil.
- Change fuel filter. Fill fuel tank to capacity to prevent condensation. Add stabilizer.
- Change transmission fluid and replace filter
- Replace engine zincs
- Service all belts and hoses
- Check internal antifreeze system.
- Replace raw water pump impellers
- Service heat exchanger
- Drain water from engine intakes and risers; replace with antifreeze
- Clean and degrease engine, touch up paint, and spray with corrosion inhibitor

Steering

- Check rudder bushings
- Check linkage
- Check cables and hydraulics

Drive line

- Check and grease propeller shaft and inspect propeller
- Repack stuffing box
- Check cutlass bearing
- Check spurs
- Replace hull and shaft zincs

Batteries

- Remove batteries and store in dry place or charge periodically during lay-up

Humidity control

- Place absorbent particles in containers throughout the cabin to absorb moisture from the air

Gear

- Remove all gear that needs to be cleaned or kept dry
- Lift up cushions and open cabinet doors to limit mold
- Check flares and fir extinguishers for expiration dates and service or replace as necessary
- Check life raft repacking date and send in for inspection if required

Canvas

- Inspect sails, dodger, bimini, etc. Send to sailmaker/canvas shop for cleaning and repair.
- Install canvas winter cover or shrink wrap.