ABOUT THIS MANUAL

More and more people are joining the ranks of boat owners who find enjoyment in the leisure activity of boating and fishing. For this reason, this manual is written for the first-time boat owner or operator. Even if you are an experienced boater, you will still find much valuable information regarding the safe operation and maintenance of your boat, motor, and trailer.

For your own safety and the safety of others, take the time to read this entire manual before you take the boat out for the first time. Use it as a guide to familiarize yourself with its systems and components. The information in this manual will help you with its operation and maintenance. In addition, you can consult your local Princecraft dealer for product use and instruction. The suppliers of more complex components, such as engines, pumps, and electronics, supply their own manuals. They are included in your Owner’s Packet. The suppliers of these products maintain their own manufacturers’ warranties and service facilities. One of the first orders of business should be to fill out each warranty card and mail it back to the manufacturer to register your ownership.

Make sure you read and understand the safety, emergency, and operating procedures in this manual and pass this information along to your family and passengers. Pay close attention to safety warnings. Remember that along with the freedom and fun of boating and fishing comes the responsibility for the safety of your passengers, other boaters, and the environment which we all share.

This manual is part of your boat’s equipment. Always keep it on board. If you transfer ownership of the boat to someone else, give this manual to the new owner. In some cases, this manual provides general information; more specific information is available in the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) manuals. This Owner’s Manual does not supersede or change any of the original manufacturers specifications, operation or maintenance instructions. If the information in this manual conflicts with that in the OEM manuals, the OEM manuals take precedence.

Note: This manual may include information about systems and equipment not provided on your boat. This manual contains information about pontoon boats, deck boats, and fishing boats. Some information pertains only to some models and may not apply to your boat. Check with your dealer if you have any questions unanswered.
YOU AND YOUR NEW BOAT

If you are new to boating, you may not be familiar with some common boating terms. Figure 1-1 lists some of these terms and identifies their meaning in relation to a typical boat.

**Figure 1-1 Terminology**

1. **AFT**
2. **FORWARD**
3. **BOW**
4. **STERN**
5. **WATERLINE**
6. **LENGTH OVERALL**
7. **PORT**
8. **STARBOARD**
9. **KEEL**
10. **BEAM**
11. **TRANSOM**
WARRANTY

The Express Limited Warranty for your Princecraft boat can be found in your Owner’s Packet. Please read it carefully. The warranty registration card must be completed, signed, and returned to Princecraft Boats Inc. within 30 days upon the date of delivery in order to obtain any warranty coverage. Princecraft provides no other warranty for your boat. If you have any questions, please discuss them with your dealer or get in touch with our Customer Service Department. Failure to follow warranty instructions will void your warranty.

Your dealer will properly fill out the warranty registration card for your signature. Make sure your dealer has mailed the card to us to start the warranty. On most boats, the hull identification number is located on the starboard side of the boat’s transom. On pontoon boats, the hull identification number is found near the stern end of the port side pontoon. Use this number for registration and to identify your boat for warranty service. A vehicle identification number is located at the portside of the trailer frame.

In some countries, it is required that all boat manufacturers notify first time owners if any defect “which creates a substantial risk of personal injury to the public” is discovered. In order for us to comply with the law, if it becomes necessary, it is essential that your completed warranty registration card with your name, address, and the boat serial number be completed and mailed to our Customer Service Department.

If you do not complete and return the product registration card, Princecraft will not be able to notify you as required. Failure to return the card means that you waive any right to notification and/or repair at Princecraft’s expense of any unsafe condition for which notification and/or repair would be required.

MANUFACTURER’S RECOMMENDATIONS

Boats

1. Make sure you read the capacity plate and never exceed the persons, horsepower and maximum capacities of the boat, canoe, pontoon boat, or deck boat. (See section 1.8 to 1.11 for warning labels)
2. When transporting, the boat should be properly supported by the trailer; (a) bunk type trailer with long straight longitudinal bunkers extending past the transom of the boat provide most uniform support and are definitely recommended; (b) trailer using rollers as the principal means of support are not recommended; (c) the boat should be firmly secured to the trailer so that it cannot shift; (d) trailer transom supports must be used where motors are transported on the boat.
3. Use common sense afloat; when encountering rough water or any adverse condition, adjust your speed to the safe speed you have predetermined; remember, waves are not soft and even a large ship slows down when the going is rough.

4. Never use metal base antifouling compounds on your aluminium boat, canoe, pontoon boat, or deck boat; antifouling compounds containing copper, mercury, arsenic or lead are not recommended; organotin based antifouling paints such as tributylin oxides are recommended by the Aluminium Association for antifouling protection in salt and brackish water; do not place steel, brass, bronze or copper fitting in direct contact with aluminium hulls; separate with gaskets or brushing of micarta or other plastics to prevent electrolytic action.

5. Our boat hulls are constructed of corrosion resistant Marine Aluminium Alloy 5052-H36; after repeated use in salt water, check occasionally for signs of pitting or excessive corrosion which are indicators of possible electrolytic action; always rinse with fresh water after removing from salt or brackish water, an occasional application of wax will bring back the lustre.

Trailers:

1. Before each use:
   • check the navigation lights;
   • check the air pressure in each tire;
   • make sure the bolts on each wheel are tightened properly;
   • make sure there is sufficient grease on the ball bearing.

2. Maintenance required every 3200 km (2000 Miles), after each heavy use and before seasonal storage and or non-use for a period of more than 30 days:
   • Maintenance of ball bearings and seals behind the ball bearings should be performed by properly trained and qualified technicians;
   • carry out a visual inspection of the leaf springs and the coupler and retighten all bolts in the suspension and coupler.

3. Your trailer has been designed to carry the load stated on the label (see section 1.8 to 1.11); you should avoid transporting loads exceeding this capacity; overloading your boat could also damage the bottom of your boat.

4. Trailering on inadequate roads or paths could damage your trailer and boat.

We hope that you never have to use neither your boat nor trailer registration card; however, if you do develop a problem with your boat or trailer, please contact your selling dealer.
SERVICE

If you have a problem with your new boat as a result of workmanship or materials, we want to correct it and get it back in service as quickly as possible. Contact the Princecraft dealer from whom you purchased the boat. An authorized dealer must process all warranty repairs. If the dealer fails to remedy the cause of the problem, contact us within 30 days by a written notification. **It is your responsibility to deliver the boat to the dealer for repair.**

Information about service, replacement parts, or additional equipment is available from your dealer or Princecraft. You can get in touch with us directly at:

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RESPONSIBILITIES

**Boat Owner**

You should inspect the boat at the time of delivery to verify that all systems and components are operating safely and acceptably. We recommend that you refer to the engine warranty certificate for initial inspection and service requirements. Be sure to review the pre-delivery checklist for the boat and engine with your dealer when you take delivery.

Your dealer will also record all important information about your boat and its major components on the **Boat Data Sheet**. (You will find the Boat Data Sheet at the end of this chapter.) After all the data has been entered, make a photocopy and store at home or another safe place.

You are responsible for following proper procedures during the break-in period. Check with your dealer if you have any questions. On sterndrive models, you should also schedule the 20-hour checkup with your dealer. At the 20-hour checkup, your dealer should perform an engine check according to recommended procedures as stated by the engine manufacturer in the engine owner’s manual.
The operator is also responsible for complying with the following procedures and operational requirements:

• Obtaining adequate insurance coverage.

• Registering the boat with the appropriate jurisdiction.

• Safety training of passengers and crew.

• Ensuring the boat’s continued safe operation through proper maintenance and repair.

• Following safe operating practices at all times.


• Developing an understanding of boat systems.

• Operating and maintaining all equipment in compliance with the manufacturer’s instructions.

• Avoiding the use of drugs and alcohol.

Complying with environmental regulations.

Along with boating comes the responsibility of complying with environmental regulations. Please think about the future of our waterways, oceans, and marine life while you’re out enjoying them – and take all necessary measures to help protect our natural habitats. Keeping our waterways and marine habitats free from debris, and showing consideration for the creatures, who thrive in these environments, are some ways you can help assure the pleasure of boating for years to come.

Dealer

Your dealer should inspect your boat when you take delivery to make sure it is in good condition and that all components are working properly. A copy of the checklist is at the end of this section. Your dealer should discuss the terms of all warranties and emphasize the importance of registering each warranty with the manufacturer. He should also explain the proper procedures for obtaining warranty service. If requested, he will instruct you in the operation of the boat and its systems and components.
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Maintenance and Repair

Proper maintenance and repair are critical to your continued enjoyment and the safe use of your boat. Your dealer is always ready to help you. There are areas that you, the owner, cannot service because of today’s complex technology. Your dealer has access to factory trained specialists, when they are needed, for such equipment as engines and trailers. You can handle basic servicing such as checking engine oil levels and inspecting the condition of hoses, sea cocks, bilge pumps, and electrical connections, but all other maintenance and repair should be performed by properly trained and qualified technicians.

We suggest you develop a routine maintenance plan for all engines on your boat and trolling motor to assure that they remain in first-rate condition and continue to operate properly. Follow the maintenance and service schedule recommended by the manufacturer. Cleaning and waxing the hull and deck regularly will keep your boat looking like new.

Boating Education

It is highly recommended that the boat’s operator and a standby operator enroll in a boating safety course. Such organizations as the Canadian Power and Sail Squadron (1-888-277-2628), United States Power Squadrons (1-888-FOR-USPS), and the Red Cross sponsor educational programs. See your Princecraft dealer about special courses available in your area.

Learn how to operate your boat safely. This book is not intended to teach you everything you need to know. There are many good boating publications that have helpful information. Pamphlets prepared by the Canadian and U.S. Coast Guard explain “Rules of the Road,” signal lights, buoys, safety, international and inland regulations, and other information beyond the scope of this manual. You can contact the U.S. Coast Guard Boating Safety Hotline at 1-800-368-5647. Contact the Canadian Coast Guard at 1-800-267-6687.

BOATING LAWS AND REGULATIONS

You are subject to marine traffic laws and “Rules of the Road” for all waterways. You must stop if signaled to do so by enforcement officers, and permit them to board if asked.

Some regions have specific trailer regulations and legal limits on speed and noise. It is your responsibility to be aware of these laws and to ensure that your boat and trailer comply. Check with your dealer and
consult with the local Marine Patrol or local Coast Guard office about any local requirements.

Registration

Register your boat in the area where it is used most frequently. Contact boating authorities for requirements. Your dealer may either supply registration forms or tell you where they may be obtained.

Insurance

Generally the boat owner is legally responsible for damages or injuries he or she causes, even if someone else is operating the boat at the time of the accident. Common sense dictates that you carry adequate personal liability and property damage insurance, just as you would on an automobile. You should also consider protecting your investment by insuring the boat against physical damage or theft.

Accident Reporting

After an accident, the operator of the boat is responsible for filing a report with the appropriate authorities. Reports are generally necessary for accidents involving loss of life, injury, or in some cases when the damage amount exceeds a specified amount. Ask your insurance agent for more information. If you are involved in an accident, check with your local authorities for reporting requirements.

If you see a distress signal, you must assume it is a real emergency and render assistance immediately. The person in charge of a boat is obligated by law to provide assistance to any individual in danger at sea. However, you should not put your crew or passengers in a dangerous situation which exceeds your capabilities or those of your boat.

Discharge of Oil

Regulations prohibit the discharge of fuel, oil, or oily waste into or upon navigable waters, if such discharge causes a film or sheen upon, or a discoloration of, the surface of the water or causes sludge or an emulsion beneath the surface of the water.

Disposal of Plastics & Other Garbage

Plastic refuse dumped in the water can kill fish and marine wildlife and can foul boat propellers and cooling water intakes. Other forms of waterborne garbage can litter our beaches and make people sick. Regulations prohibit any the dumping of plastic or other garbage
mixed with plastic into the water anywhere, and restrict the dumping of other forms of garbage within specified distances from shore.

HAZARD COMMUNICATION LABELS

Some or all of the hazard communication labels shown on the following pages can be found in various locations on your boat. Be sure to read and adhere to all hazard warnings. (Labels are not necessarily to size or scale.) The appropriate labels are determined by the standard and optional equipment actually installed upon delivery. Check with your dealer to find out what labels your boat should have. If any label is missing, ask your dealer for a replacement.

⚠️ DANGER

Never approach or use ladder when motor is running. Severe injury or death will result from contact with rotating propeller.

Ne jamais approcher ou utiliser l'échelle quand le moteur fonctionne. Le contact avec l'hélice en mouvement causera des blessures graves ou la mort.

⚠️ WARNING/AVERTISSEMENT

No ventilation is provided. Fuel vapors are a fire and explosion hazard. To avoid injury or death, do not store fuel or flammable liquids here.

Cet espace n’est pas ventilé. Les vapeurs d’essence sont explosives et inflammables. Pour éviter des blessures graves ou la mort, ne pas entreposer d’essence ou de liquides inflammables ici.

⚠️ WARNING/AVERTISSEMENT

Avoid serious injury or death from fire or explosion resulting from leaking fuel. Inspect system for leaks at least once a year.

Les fuites d’essence sont explosives et inflammables. Pour éviter des blessures graves ou la mort vérifier le système d’essence pour déceler des fuites au moins une fois par année.

⚠️ WARNING/AVERTISSEMENT

Do not use ski tow fitting for lifting or parasailing. Fitting could pull out of deck resulting in serious injury or death. Ne pas utiliser le mât de remorquage pour skier pour tirer un parachute. Le mât peut sortir de son attache pouvant causer des blessures graves ou la mort.

EXHAUST FUMES FROM ENGINES CONTAIN CARBON MONOXIDE. BOATS WITH CANVAS DEPLOYED ARE MORE LIKELY TO COLLECT EXHAUST FUMES. AVOID BRAIN DAMAGE OR DEATH FROM CARBON MONOXIDE KEEP COCKPIT AND CABIN AREAS WELL VENTILATED. SIGNS OF EXPOSURE INCLUDE NAUSEA, DIZZINESS AND DROWNSWEE. SEE BOAT OWNER'S MANUAL FOR MORE DETAILS. IF USING A CATALYTIC HEATER, PROVIDE VENTILATION. DO NOT USE CATALYTIC HEATER WHILE SLEEPING.

LES Gaz d'échappement des moteurs contiennent du monoxyde de carbone. Les bateaux avec tapis de toile déployés sont plus susceptibles de collecter les fumées d'échappement. Évitez les dommages ou la mort par le monoxyde de carbone. Assurez-vous de bien aérer la cabine. Les signes d'exposition sont nausées, vertiges et étourdissements. Consultez le manuel du propriétaire pour plus de détails. Si vous utilisez un brûleur catalytique, assurez-vous de bien aérer. NE PAS UTILISER UN CHAUFFAGE CATALYTIQUE PENDANT LE SOMMEIL.
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WARNING/AVERTISSEMENT

Do not use cooking appliance inside camper enclosure. Heat may ignite camper material.

Ne pas utiliser l'appareil de cuisson à l'intérieur du toit campeur. Le matériel du toit peut s'enflammer sous l'effet de la chaleur.

WARNING/AVERTISSEMENT

Prevent falls overboard. Do not occupy upper deck while underway.

Prévenez les chutes par-dessus bord, ne pas utiliser le pont supérieur quand l'embarcation est en mouvement.

WARNING/AVERTISSEMENT

BEFORE STARTING ENGINE

EQUIPMENT
- drain plug - secured?
- moveable seats - secured?
- life jacket - one for each person?
- other emergency gear - on board?

PROCEDURES
- emergency stop switch - tether hooked up?
- everybody - seated in boat? never on seatbacks, raised seats, or edges of boat?
- operator's vision - unobstructed?
- weather conditions - safe to go out?
- passengers - aware of emergency procedures?

AVANT LE DÉMARRAGE DU MOTEUR

EQUIPMENT
- bouchon de vidange - bien installé?
- siège amovible - sécurisé?
- ceinture de sauvetage - une par personne?
- autres items de sécurité - à bord?

PROCEDURES
- coupe-circuit d'urgence - cordon attaché?
- tous les occupants assis dans l'embarcation?
- jamais sur des dossiers ou sur le rebord?
- champ de vision du pilote - sans obstruction?
- conditions météo - sécuritaire pour naviguer?
- passagers - familiers avec les procédures d'urgence?
**WARNING/AVERTISSEMENT**

Gasoline vapors can explode resulting in injury or death.

**BEFORE STARTING ENGINE**
- Check engine compartment bilge gasoline or vapors, and
- operate blower for four minutes, and
- verify blower operation.

Run blower when vessel is operating below cruising speed.

Les vapeurs d’essence peuvent exploser causant des blessures graves ou la mort.

**AVANT LE DÉMARRAGE DU MOTEUR**
- Vérifier le compartiment à moteur pour déteetger s’il y a présence d’essence ou de vapeur d’essence, et
- actionner le ventilateur pendant 4 minutes, et
- vérifier l’opération du ventilateur.

Actionner le ventilateur quand l’embarcation navigue à vitesse réduite.

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**WARNING/AVERTISSEMENT**

Avoid personal injury secure seat fully into track and latch before use.

Pour éviter des blessures personnelles graves. Fixer solidement le siège dans la glissière et immobiliser le avec l'attache avant de l'utiliser.

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**WARNING/AVERTISSEMENT**

Avoid serious injury. Do not occupy platform above trolling speed. Make sure latches are closed securely.

Evitez des blessures graves, ne pas utiliser la plate-forme à une vitesse supérieure à celle de la pêche à la traîne. Assurez-vous que les compartiments sont bien fermés.

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**WARNING/AVERTISSEMENT**

Prevent falls overboard or in boat. Do not use swivel seat(s) above trolling speed.

Prevenez les chutes par dessus bord ou à l'intérieur de l'embarcation. Ne pas utiliser le(s) siège(s) pivotant(s) à une vitesse supérieure à celle de la pêche à la traîne.
1. Shut off motor when near swimmers. Severe injury or death will result from contact with a rotating propeller.

2. WARNING/AVERTISSEMENT
To avoid serious injury, death or boat damage from ski tow bar failure, ski tow bar must be secured to base. Do not use with any equipment which is tied to tow rope, such as inner tubes, aquaplanes, parasailing, etc. Always sit at least 3 feet from ski tow bar. Max towage capacity 500 pounds.

Afin d'éviter des blessures, la mort ou des dommages à l'embarcation causés par un bris du mât de remorquage pour skieur, assurez-vous que le mât est toujours bien fixé à ses bases. Ne pas utiliser le mât de remorquage pour des activités telles que aquavion, paravion, tubes, etc. Assurez-vous d'être toujours assis à au moins 1 mètre du mât de remorquage pour skieur. Capacité maximum de remorquage 500 lb.

3. WARNING/AVERTISSEMENT
To avoid motor cab breaking when tilting to maximum range, take care to pull up walkaway platform and secure it to back wall.

Pour éviter de briser le capot du moteur quand il est basculé au maximum, prenez soin de remonter la passerelle arrière et de la sécuriser au mur arrière.

4. WARNING/AVERTISSEMENT
To avoid injury, engage the clamping system of the pull-out bed before usage.

Afin de prévenir les blessures, assurez-vous que le système de blocage du lit rétractable est bien enclenché avant de l'utiliser.
**CAUTION / ATTENTION**

To avoid damage to your boat, engage sun deck clamping system before cruising or trailering.

Afin d'éviter des dommages à votre embarcation, assurez-vous que le système de blocage de l’aire de bronziage est bien enclenché avant la navigation ou le transport.

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**CAUTION / ATTENTION**

PORTABLE FUEL TANK LOCATION

EMPLACEMENT DU RÉSERVOIR D'ESSENCE PORTATIF

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**WARNING AVERTISSEMENT**

To avoid injury, secure ski tow bar is in lock position before usage.

Afin d'éviter des blessures, assurez-vous que le mât de remorquage est à la position "verrouillé" avant de l'utiliser.

LOCK VERROULIÉ

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**DANGER**

Never use ladder when motor is running.

Ne jamais utiliser l'échelle quand le moteur fonctionne.

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**DANGER**

Carbon monoxide (CO) can cause brain damage or death.

Engine exhaust contains odorless and colorless carbon monoxide gas.

Carbon monoxide will be around the back of the boat when engine is running.

Move to fresh air if you feel nausea, headache, dizziness, or droverness.

Le monoxyde de carbone (CO) peut causer la mort ou des dommages cérébraux.

Les gaz d'échappement de moteur contiennent du monoxyde de carbone, un gaz inodore et incolore.

Le monoxyde de carbone se retrouve à l’arrière de l’embarcation lorsque le moteur est en fonction.

Déplacez-vous à l'air frais, si vous ressentez de la nausée, maux de tête, étourdissements ou de la somnolence.
LOCATION OF YOUR HULL I.D. PLATE

Your I.D. plate is located on the outboard side of the starboard transom, above the waterline, or on the port side pontoon near the stern end. The hull I.D. (serial number) should be included in any inquiries or when ordering parts. The Coast Guard requires that your H.I.D. be permanently affixed on the starboard transom of the boat.

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BOAT AND TRAILER DATA

Owner _____________________________________________________________

Date Purchased_____________________________________________________

Address____________________________________________________________

Dealer _____________________________________________________________

Phone _____________________________________________________________

Address____________________________________________________________

Boat Model_________________________________________________________

Serial Number______________________________________________________

Motor______________________________________________________________

Serial Number______________________________________________________

Outdrive Serial Number (for inboard) ________________________________

Trailer______________________________________________________________

Serial Number______________________________________________________

Other ______________________________________________________________