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## **Fueling Checklists**

<b>Before Fueling Checklist</b>	
	Fuel in daylight when possible
	Tie your boat securely to the fuel dock
	Put out all flames (including stoves)
	Prohibit smoking
	Shut off engines and any electrical equipment that might create a spark (including blowers and radios)
	Close all portholes, door, and hatches
	Have a working fire extinguisher at hand
	Have passengers not needed for the fuel operation step off the boat if possible

<b>While Fueling Checklist</b>	
	Keep the pump nozzle in constant metal-to-metal contact with the filler pipe to prevent static electricity that could ignite fuel vapors
	Estimate the amount of fuel needed and fill fuel tanks only 95% full to allow for expansion of the fuel and prevent spillage from overfilling. With experience you will be able to tell when the tank is near full by the sound of the entering fuel

<b>After Fueling and Before Starting Engines Checklist</b>	
	Close fuel filler pipe openings
	Wipe up any spillage and take wipe rags ashore
	Open all closed compartments
	Turn on bilge blower if so equipped
	Check for leaky tanks, filters, fuel lines
	Sniff in the tank and engine compartments for vapors

<b>Fueling Portable Tanks Checklist</b>	
	Use approved safety cans and tanks only
	Fill all tanks off the boat. Tie them down when you return them to the boat