

## Fishing Mentor Checklist

Mentor's Rules – The boat captain has the final say for all rules on board regarding his boat, unless Mentor deems an unsafe condition. The mentor has the final say for all rules on board regarding fishing. The following checklist is to be used as a guide to help everyone understand what is to be expected. Generally, each individual is to furnish their own food and drink and have required fishing license/stamps for targeted species. Vessels should have current license and registration and current safety inspection and required safety and flotation devices for all vessel occupants (compliance with all FWC rules and regulations). It is recommended that a "float Plan" be made and entrusted to a relative or good friend.

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Area of expertise: **Off shore, harbor and wade fishing**

Species expertise: **Tarpon**

Days/times available: **Not available the first and second Thursday of the month January through June and September thru December as I represent the BSIBC on the CCMAC. Also I would prefer 7 days notice to mentor a trip. Weather could impact a trip and boat owner and mentor to agree to go or no go due to bad weather**

Will you require a visit at boat with boat owner before trip to determine needs (knot tying instruction, boat safety/capabilities, equipment, bait, etc.) and discuss trip specifics, etc.? Yes **Boat owner to run through his boat safety check before departing the dock, location of flotation devices, radio call sign if no boat name, when heading offshore file a float plan. Owner to have a first aid kit on board and a VHF radio.**

Will you be sharing any trip expenses? **Not for a mentor trip in the harbor**

Do you plan to bring alcohol on board? (boat Captain's rules) Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No **X**

Do you plan to smoke on board? (boat Captain's rules) Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No **X**

Will you be fishing? **Depending on what fishing subject I'm mentoring**

Will you be keeping any catch? **Yes, to be shared equally with all on the trip**

Will you help clean catch? Yes **X** No \_\_\_\_\_

Meet at dock/pick up at dock, location? **Either meet at the boat owners dock or pick up at my dock, located at 3979 San Pietro Court**