

Kayaking and kayak fishing sample checklist

Kayak—check for leaks in hull and cracks or tears in hatch seals and gaskets. Make sure drain plug is properly in place, if any. Check deck lines for wear and tear.

Paddle (1 per paddler), plus spare
Life jacket (1 per paddler) with attached whistle
Flotation bags—inflated and installed
Spray skirt
Dry bags (for gear organization)
Weather/VHF radio
Signaling devices (whistle, mirror, flares or distress flag)
Headlamp or flashlight (with extra batteries)
Towline/floating throw line (with throw bag)
Paddle leash
Paddle float
Bailer or bilge pump
Sponges
Maps and charts in waterproof case
Compass—hand held or mounted
GPS
Personal Locator Beacon (PLB)
Matches/lighter/fire starter in waterproof container
Knife or multi-tool
Cell phone in protective bag
Multifunction watch
First-aid supplies
Sunglasses
Sunscreen
Lip balm
Water bottles (filled half way)
Energy food (bars, gels, trail mix)
Beverages, non-alcoholic
Sealant
Spare foot peg
Bailing wire (copper, small roll)
Nylon cord (or bungee cords)
Putty
Replacement nuts/bolts
Repair/duct tape