

**Florida 120
2009 Participant Information Form**

The purpose of this form is to both give safety information to and get contact information from all of the participants of the Florida 120.

There are a few items every participant must have (and it would be good to bring spares of: A VHF radio, two anchors appropriately sized for the boat, a personal floatation device, nighttime navigation lights appropriate to the boat (read DNR regs), rain protection and sun protection. Each participant is responsible for making sure they have enough food, water, clothing, and shelter to be self-sustaining. You can send additional items on another boat but you must be self-sustaining for the day.

A few tips for safety: While we are sailing in a populated area dangerous situations can arise and each participant must be aware and prepared for those eventualities. If you hear or see severe weather pull to the nearest shore (if in small boats) and take shelter or have an anchor prepared to throw out if in a bigger boat. There is no reason to push through high winds and put yourself at risk. There are navigational hazards along the route such as bridges. You should motor through the bridge or accept a tow unless you feel extremely confident in your abilities. The combination of bridge, tide, and water traffic can make emergencies arise very quickly and it is better to be safe than sorry. There is also large commercial traffic such as barges. They have the right-of-way regardless of if you have a sail up or not! Keep aware of your surroundings especially if you are in the deeper channel of the intercoastal waterway and be prepared to move quickly out of the way.

Name and Contact information:

If we lose sight of you on the water for any reason, I want contact numbers and even the ability to check the parking lot to see if your tow rig is still there. This information will be held by even organizers and will be included in the float plan we will give to the coast guard in the area.

Name: _____ Cell #: _____

Boat type: _____ Boat Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Vehicle model and color: _____ License Plate #: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone #: _____

Do you plan on doing the whole route? _____

If not, what are your plans? _____