

## 903. ANCHORING CHECK LIST

- \_\_\_\_\_ REVIEW PROPOSED ANCHORING PLAN INCLUDING DROP BEARINGS, DANGER BEARINGS AND BOTTOM TYPE. DISCUSS REQUIRED SCOPE AND ANCHOR(S) TO BE EMPLOYED.
- \_\_\_\_\_ WEATHER PERMITTING, FAKE OUT ANTICIPATED SCOPE OF ANCHOR RODE ON THE FOREDECK. ATTACH BITTER END OF RODE TO MAST WITH A BOWLINE.
- \_\_\_\_\_ CAREFULLY LOWER ANCHOR OVER PULPIT TO THE WATER'S EDGE, TAKING CARE NOT TO SCRAPE THE ANCHOR ON THE DECK OR HULL IN THE PROCESS. ANCHOR IS NOW "READY FOR LETTING GO."
- \_\_\_\_\_ WHEN AT THE DESIRED ANCHORAGE POSITION AND ALL WAY HAS COME OFF THE VESSEL, ORDER THE FORECASTLE TO "LET GO THE ANCHOR." FOREDECK CREW WILL VEER RODE/CHAIN SLOWLY AND IN A CONTROLLED MANNER UNTIL THE ANCHOR HITS BOTTOM. HELMSMAN WILL BACK DOWN, DEVELOPING SLIGHT STERN WAY AND RODE WILL BE VEERED TO DESIRED SCOPE AND SNUBBED. HELMSMAN WILL CEASE BACKING AND ALLOW RESIDUAL STERN WAY TO SET THE ANCHOR.

### NOTE

**SCOPE OF 5:1 IS THE ACCEPTED NORM FOR ANCHORING IN GOOD WEATHER. IF HEAVY WEATHER IS EXPECTED, SCOPE SHOULD BE INCREASED TO 7:1 (OR GREATER) AND ADDITIONAL ANCHORS MAY ALSO BE SET.**

- \_\_\_\_\_ TAKE A ROUND OF BEARINGS TO DETERMINE THE FINAL ANCHORAGE POSITION.
- \_\_\_\_\_ ENSURE THE SWING CIRCLE WILL NOT FOUL ADJACENT BOATS AT ANCHOR AND REMAINS CLEAR OF ANY SHOAL WATER.
- \_\_\_\_\_ RIG CHAFING GEAR AT BOW CHOCKS.
- \_\_\_\_\_ TAKE FIXES EVERY HOUR ON THE HOUR. (FIX INTERVAL MAY BE MODIFIED AT OTC DISCRETION).
- \_\_\_\_\_ ENERGIZE ANCHOR LIGHT BETWEEN SUNSET AND SUNRISE. BE PREPARED TO SOUND FOG SIGNALS IF VISIBILITY REQUIRES.