
OSJ Trip Day Checklist

Home

- Pick up cell phone, handheld VHF, digital camera
- Start coffee maker
- Get food, drinks, frozen chum bucket
- Place food & chum bucket in coolers
- Make sure electric motor is in boat
- Load toolbox and miscellaneous trailer gear into Montero
- UNPLUG BATTERY CHARGER!! Put cord away!**
- Raise trailer onto dolly, install tongue, hook up lights/brakes, remove wheel block
- Hook trailer up to Montero, **LOCK HITCH, PUT KEYS IN MONTERO**
- Attach trailer lights, breakaway cable, safety chains
- Verify battery switches on, battery combiner to AUTO
- Trolling motor battery switch to set to 24V, TM circuit breaker closed
- LATCH CONSOLE**
- Check boat cargo rack
- Make sure flotation cushions, tank lid are in bait tank
- Make sure extra guest life jackets are in bait tank
- TILT MOTOR, INSTALL TRANSOM MOTOR BRACE**
- VERIFY TRASH BUCKET TIED DOWN**
- Trailer walk-around: check trailer lights, tire pressure
- Get coffee, **TURN OFF COFFEEMAKER!**
- Lock house, set alarm, close garage

On the Drive Out

- Get ice, ATM cash, breakfast
- Check trailer and Montero tire pressure (**CHECK SPARE**)
- Fill boat gas tanks and auxiliary gas tanks

Pre-Launch

- Remove front and rear tie-downs and transom motor brace
- CHECK DRAIN PLUG**
- Install GPS
- Raise radio & GPS antenna
- Move flotation cushion to hooks on bait tank
- Move tackle bags, etc. to cargo racks & tie down
- Life jacket(s), fenders, docking lines out
- Mount downrigger/outriggers
- PRIME MOTOR FUEL BULB (MUST BE SOLID)**

Post-launch

- Park Montero, **PUT ON CLUB, SUNSHADE**

Trip Start

- Start bait tank at dock

- Radio check
- Reset Sonar and GPS trip logs

Trip Return

- Pull bait tank stand pipe, drain bait tank
- Put boat on trailer, pull out
- Pull drain plug (9/16" wrench)
- Bow and transom tie-downs, transom motor brace
- Put electric motor back in boat
- Flotation cushion, tank lid in bait tank
- Bumpers, dock lines, life jacket(s) away
- Put loose tackle away
- Offload cargo rack
- Remove downrigger/outriggers
- TRASH BUCKET TIED DOWN**
- Turn off radio, GPS and autopilot; fold radio and GPS antenna down
- Pull GPS & put away; cover on sonar

Drive Back

- Stop at West Marine to re-provision boating supplies
- FILL BOAT GAS TANK, note fuel used**

Home

- Flush motor, trailer, brakes (with Salt-Away)
- While flushing motor, offload boat (tackle, ice chests, etc.)
- Put electric motor back on motor bracket
- Cover radio
- Fill wash bucket with soap and water
- Rinse boat, motors, trailer with Salt-Away
- Clean boat, trailer, tackle
- Clean GPS and sonar if required
- Tackle, ice chests, etc. back in boat
- Open bilge hatch plate, dry bilge
- Remove electric motor & place in boat
- TILT MOTOR UP**
- Move boat into garage partway
- Tilt motor down
- Remove boat from Montero, **LOWER TONGUE AS FAR AS DOLLY WILL GO**
- Push boat in, block wheel, remove tongue
- Put trailer hitch lock, shear pins in trailer gear basket
- Lower trailer to clear door using floor jack
- BATTERY, COMBINER SWITCHES OFF, OPEN TM CIRCUIT BREAKER**
- PLUG IN BATTERY CHARGER**
- Put washdown equipment away