

# BOAT SAFELY – KNOW THE RULES

**Vessels overtaking:** Every overtaking boat gives way (includes sailing vessels).



**Power vessels head on:** Both alter to starboard (right).



**Power vessels crossing:** Power boats give way to others on their starboard side.



- Give way boats should cross behind.
- Sailing vessels have different rules.

- 1 Lifejackets** – take them, wear them
- 2 Skipper responsibility** – keep everyone safe. Know your vessel and your limits
- 3 Emergency communications** – carry two types that work when wet (VHF, EPIRB, flare, cell phone)
- 4 Marine weather** – check first. If in doubt don't go out
- 5 Avoid alcohol**



## Maximum speed:

- Within 200m of shore or dive flag.
- Within 50m of all boats or swimmers.

BE A **RESPONSIBLE SKIPPER**  
DO A **DAY SKIPPER COURSE**

