

THE GREEN BLUE motor boat checklist



At the helm

Good use of the throttle and boat handling skills can reduce wash which can erode banks and disturb wildlife.

Galley

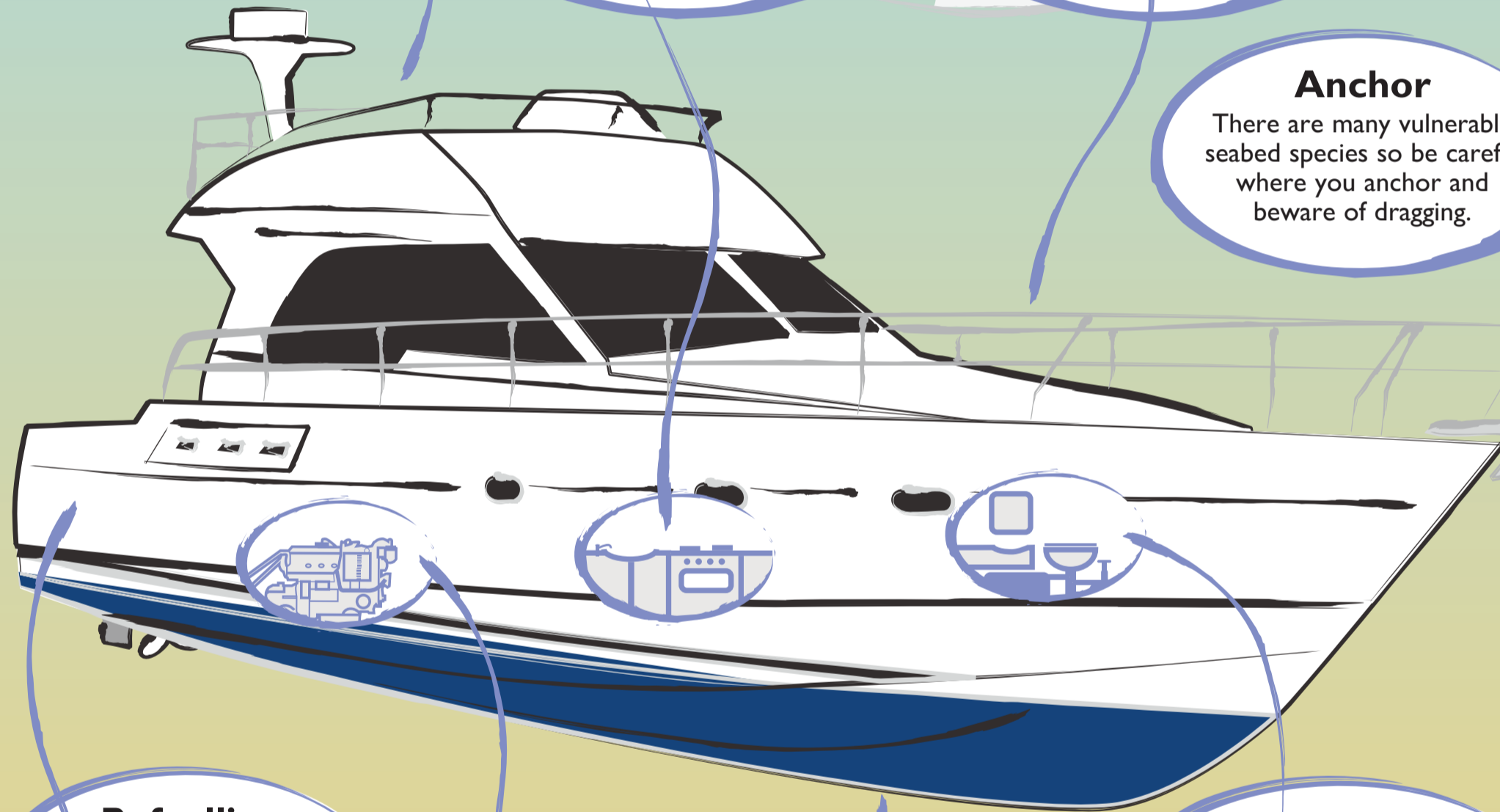
Reduce waste onboard by leaving excess packaging at home and using reusable containers. Recycle waste whenever possible.

Deck

Cigarette butts last up to 5 years and often eaten by birds. Use a butt box and don't let your ends go overboard!

Anchor

There are many vulnerable seabed species so be careful where you anchor and beware of dragging.



Refuelling

If you spill fuel never use detergents on it, this can be even more damaging to aquatic life.

Engine

It is illegal to let oil enter the water - check before pumping your bilge. Install a filter and put a bilge sock in to mop up spills.

Heads

Give consideration to the environmental sensitivity of an area e.g. shell fish beds, bathing waters etc before using your sea toilet.

Hull

Most antifoul contains pesticides and other toxins, take care not to breathe in the dust and prevent scrapings from entering the water.



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