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OWNER'S MANUAL

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1. INTRODUCTION

Dear Madam, dear Sir,

You have just taken delivery of your new BENETEAU, and we would first of all like to thank you for your confidence in choosing one of our products.

A BENETEAU is built to last: each boat is the subject of attentive care down to the slightest details, from her design until she leaves the factory and is launched, so that she will provide you with the many years of joy that you expect from her.

This manual has been drawn up to help you use your boat in safety and with pleasure. It contains details about the boat, the equipment supplied or fitted, her systems and information on their use. Some of this equipment may be offered as an option. Read it carefully and familiarise yourself with the boat before using her.

Even when your boat has been accordingly categorised, the conditions of sea and wind corresponding to design categories A, B and C vary from strong storm to severe conditions, open to risks of abnormal waves and gusts, and are consequently dangerous conditions, where only an experienced crew, physically fit and well trained, manoeuvring a well maintained boat may sail satisfactorily.

Make sure that the forecast wind and sea conditions correspond with the design category of your boat, and that you and your crew are capable of manoeuvring the boat in those conditions.

This owner's manual is not intended to be a course on sailing safety or seamanship. If this boat is your first boat or if you are changing to a type of boat you are not familiar with, for your comfort and safety, make sure you get experience on manoeuvring and using her before taking command. Your dealer, national sailing federation or powerboating federation or your yacht club will be delighted to direct you to competent sailing schools or instructors in the region.

This owner's manual is not a detailed maintenance or repair guide. In case of difficulty contact the manufacturer of the boat or one of its representatives.

Always use the services of an experienced professional for maintenance or the fitting of accessories. The modifications that might affect the safety characteristics of the boat should be evaluated, carried out and documented by competent people. The manufacturer of the boat cannot be held responsible for modifications that it has not approved.

NOTE : Any change in the weight distribution on board (for example the addition of a raised fishing platform, a radar, a furling mast, a change of engine, etc.) can effect the stability, the trim and the performance of your boat.

PLEASE KEEP THIS MANUAL IN A SAFE PLACE AND HAND IT TO THE NEW OWNER IF YOU SHOULD SELL THE BOAT.

The users of this boat are advised that:

- The entire crew should receive appropriate training
- In some countries, a driving licence or an authorisation is needed, or there are specific regulations in force.
- Always maintain your boat correctly and take into account deterioration resulting from time and significant or inappropriate wear of the boat.
- Any boat – however strong – can be severely damaged if poorly used. This is not compatible with safe boating. Always adjust the speed and direction of the boat to the state of the sea.
- If your boat is equipped with a life raft, carefully read its instruction manual. The crew should be familiar with the use of all safety equipment (harnesses, flares, life raft, etc.) and emergency safety manoeuvres (recovering a person overboard, towing, etc.), sailing schools and clubs regularly organise training sessions.
- Do not sail at maximum speed in zones of heavy traffic, or in case of reduced visibility, strong winds or big waves. Reduce the speed and wake of the boat, out of courtesy and for safety's sake for yourself and for others. Respect zones of speed and wake limits.
- Observe rules of priority such as defined by the rules of the road and imposed by the COLREGS (regulations for the prevention of collisions at sea).

Make sure you always have sufficient distance to stop or manoeuvre if necessary in order to avoid a collision

Explanation of the typography used:

- **DANGER**

- **WARNING**

- CAUTION

2. CHARACTERISTICS

2.1. The boat's identity sheet

- NAME OF BUILDER Chantiers Bénéteau
- DESIGN CATEGORY..... A
- MAXIMUM RECOMMENDED POWER..... 100 KW inboard
- N° OF NOTIFIED BODY CE 0607

CATEGORY	HEIGHT OF WAVES (m)	WIND FORCE (BEAUFORT)
A	> 4	>8
B	< 4	≤8
C	< 2	≤6
D	< 0.5	≤4

MAXIMUM RECOMMENDED NUMBER OF PERSONS BY DESIGN CATEGORY/

CATEGORY	MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PERSONS
A	12
B	13
C	14
D	14

2.2. Dimensions

LENGTH OF HULL		15.80 m*
BEAM OF HULL		4.88 m*
LENGTH OVERALL		16.25 m
BEAM OVERALL		4.88 m
DRAUGHT:	SHALLOW DRAUGHT	1.85 m
	DEEP DRAUGHT	2.35 m
MAX AIR DRAUGHT		22.30 m

* according to ISO 8666 standard

2.3. Load

DESIGN CATEGORIES	A	B	C	D
Boat lightship:	15770	15770	15770	15770
Safety equipment:	20	20	20	20
Sails:	90	90	90	90
Lightship displacement:	15880	15880	15880	15880
Life raft:	80	80	80	80
Crew:	900	975	1050	1050
Water:	1100	1100	1100	1100
Fuel:	520	520	520	520
Personal effects	320	320	320	320
Optional equipment				
Standard teak deck :	190	190	190	190
Rigid tank 85 l x 4:	340	340	340	340
Air conditioning 6,7 kW :	180	180	180	180
Autopilot:	20	20	20	20
Electric winches:	54	54	54	54
Spinnaker boom:	15	15	15	15
Cabin hood:	20	20	20	20
Bimini top:	20	20	20	20
Davits:	40	40	40	40
Frigoboat:	20	20	20	20
Washer-dryer	36	36	36	36
Icemaker	28	28	28	28
3x140 A 1x110 A Batteries	145	145	145	145
Generator in box	330	330	330	330
Watermaker	30	30	30	30
Heater	20	20	20	20
Standard thruster	0	0	0	0
Television	20	20	20	20
In mast furler	120	120	120	120
Margin for extra equipment:	402	327	252	252

MAXIMUM LADEN DISPLACEMENT(kg)	20830	20830	20830	20830
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MAXIMUM LOAD (kg)	4950	4950	4950	4950
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MAXIMUM LOAD = FULL LOAD DISPLACEMENT - LIGHTSHIP

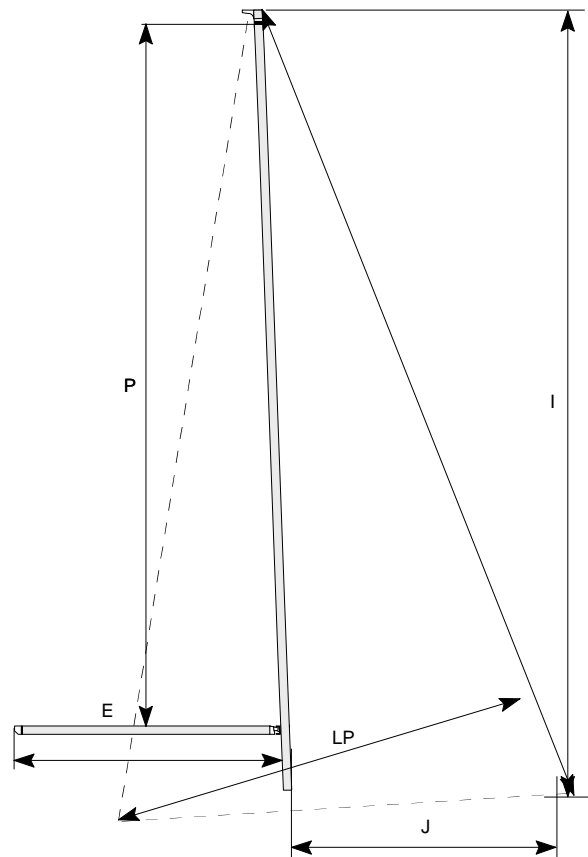
Any excess may lead to a flooding or loss of stability

2.4. Sails and rigging

2.4.1. Characteristics of the sail plan:

SAIL	CLASSIC SAIL AREA	FURLING SAIL AREA
MAINSAIL	69.20 m ²	66.80 m ²
GENOA (135%)	82.00 m ²	82.00 m ²
SPINNAKER	214.54 m ²	214.54 m ²

DIMENSIONS CLASSIC MAST	
I	19.88 m
J	6.33 m
P	18.25 m
E	6.79 M
DIMENSIONS FURLING MAST	
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2.4.2. Maintenance of the rigging:

- Check the standing and running rigging regularly, and at least once per year.

For wire cables:

- Change them as soon as the first frays appear
- Check for corrosion, especially at the terminals with rigging screws.
- Check the good condition of swages and rigging screws.

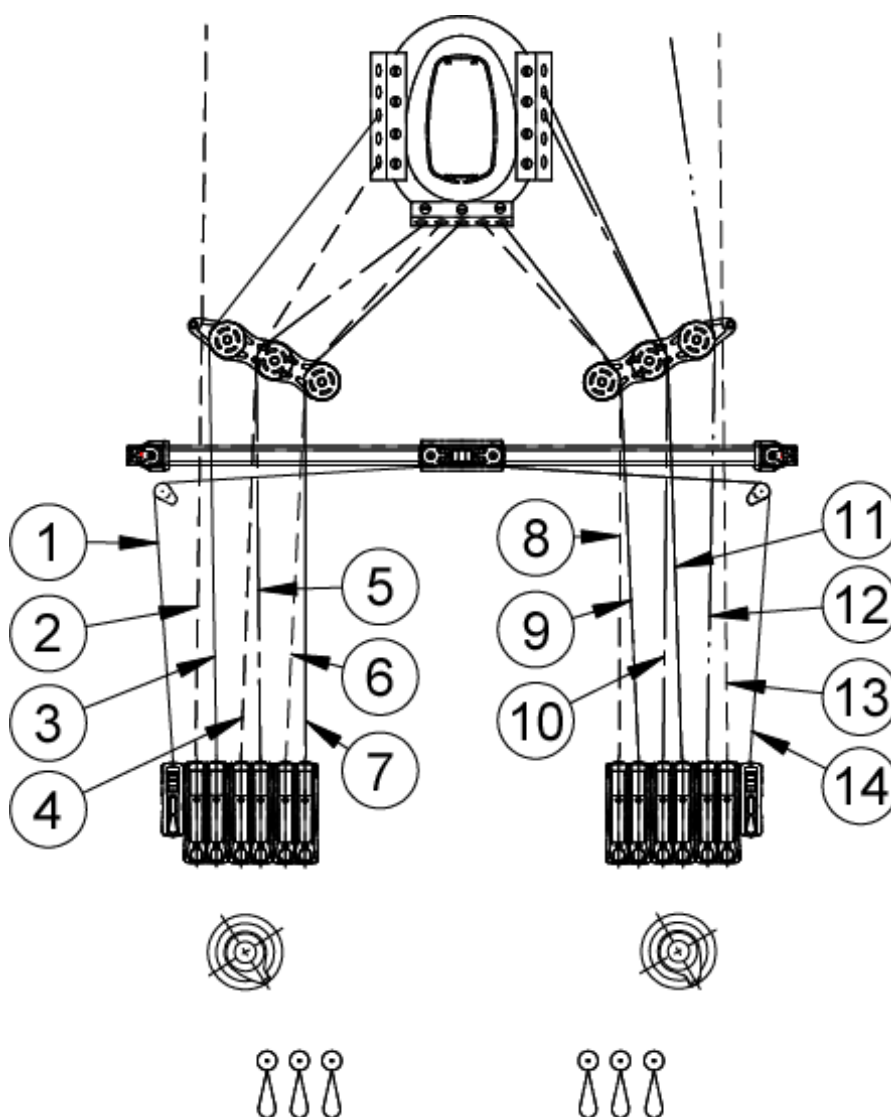
For synthetic cables (Kevlar, Twaron, etc.) used for running backstays, halyards, sheets, docklines, etc.:

- Change as soon as signs of fray or wear appear.
- Regularly check the other elements of the rigging; sheets, docklines, etc. ; and replace if worn.

2.4.3. Running rigging plan

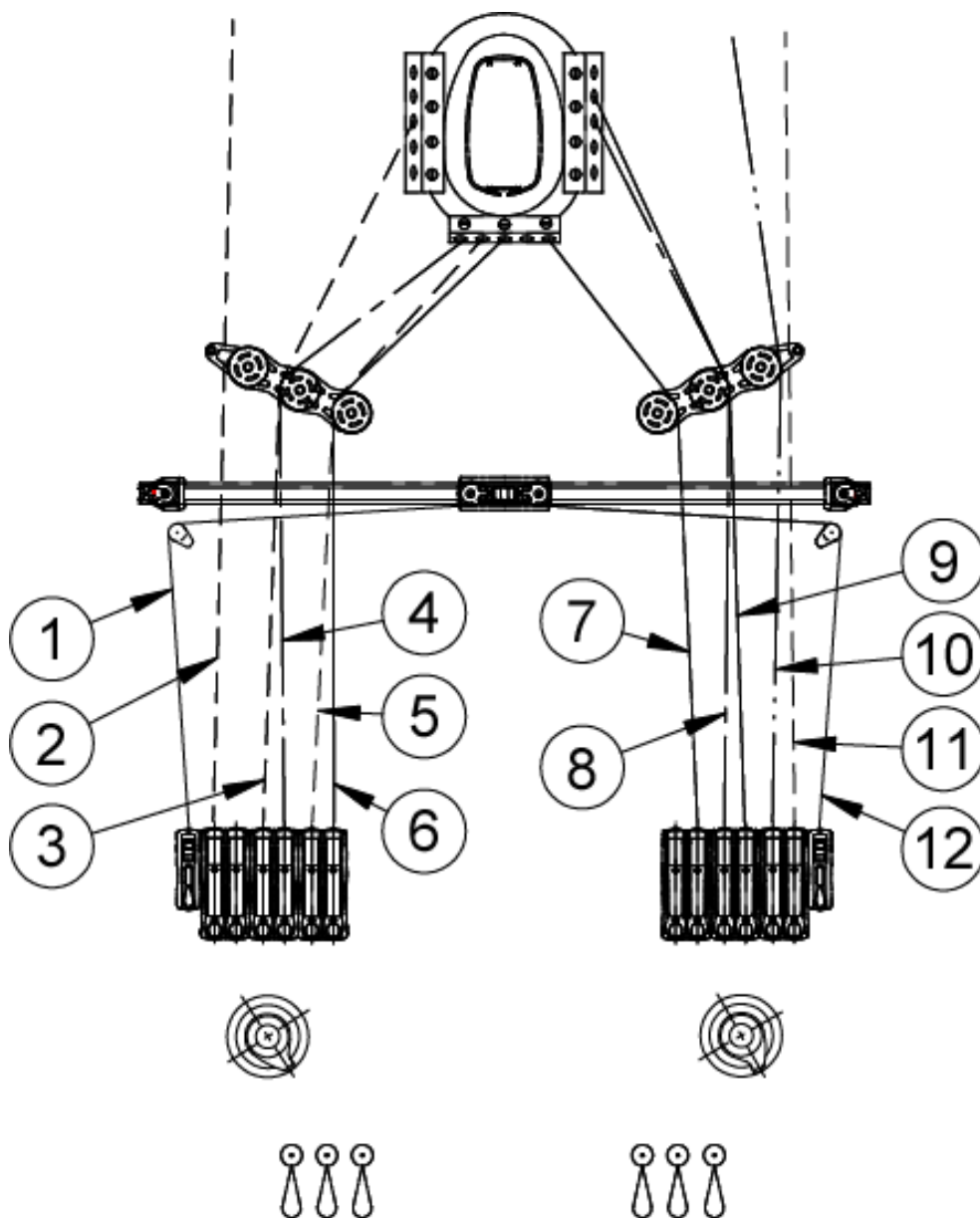
Classic mast

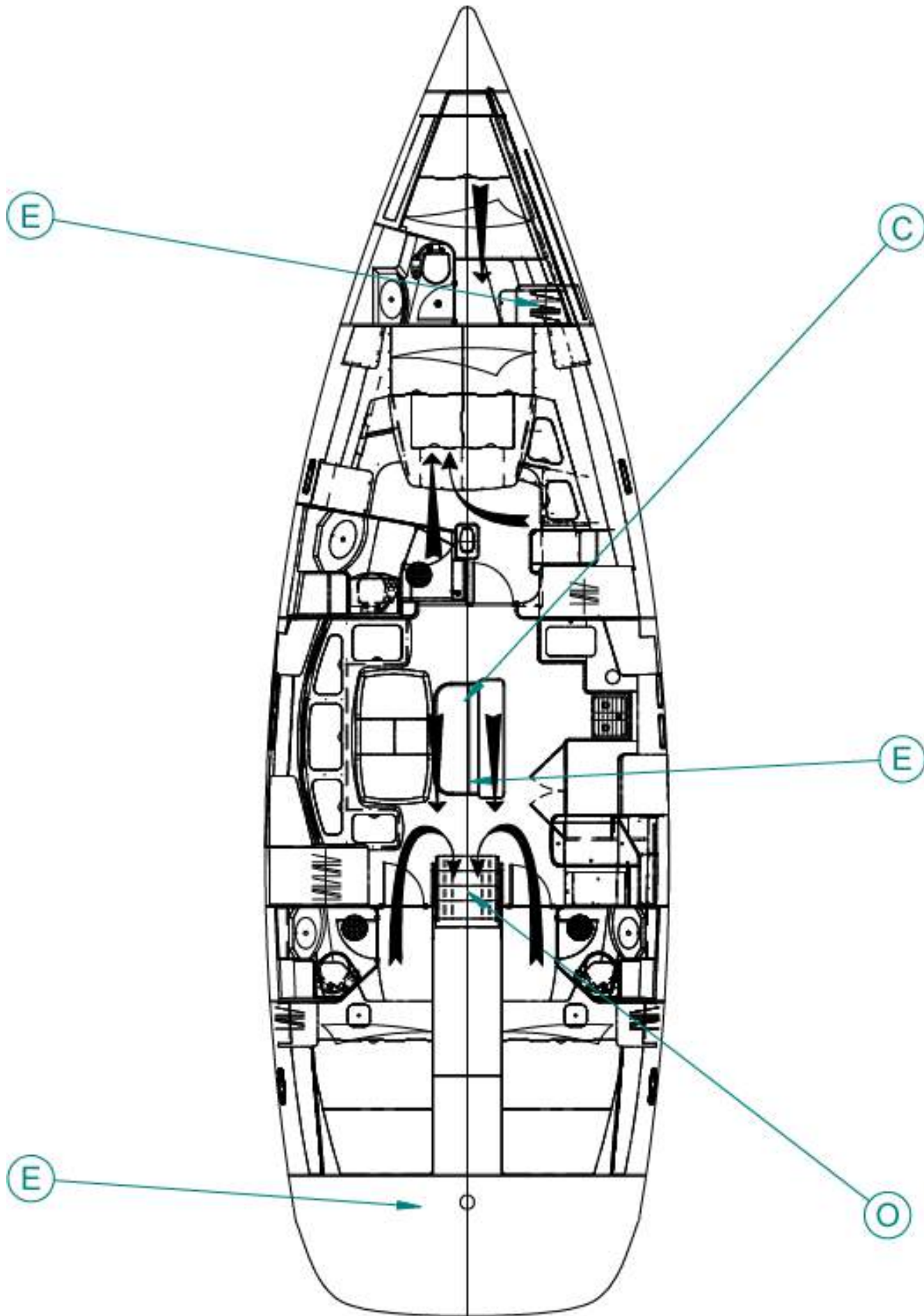
REF	DESCRIPTION
1	Mainsheet car control
2	Genoa furler control
3	Main halyard
4	Reef 2
5	Mainsail foot
6	Boom kicker
7	Mainsheet
8	Reef 1
9	Reef 3
10	Spinnaker halyard
11	Spinnaker boom topping lift
12	Spinnaker boom downhaul
13	Staysail furler control
14	Mainsheet car control



Furling mast

REF	DESCRIPTION
1	Mainsheet car control
2	Genoa furler control
3	Main halyard
4	Mainsail furler control
5	Boom kicker
6	Mainsheet
7	Mainsail foot
8	Spinnaker halyard
9	Spinnaker boom topping lift
10	Spinnaker boom downhaul
11	Staysail furler control
12	Mainsheet car control





3. SAFETY

3.1. Fire

3.1.1. Risks


The main risks are associated with the engine (§ 4.1), the electrical system (§ 4.3) and the gas system (§ 4.4). Please consult the relevant chapters.

3.1.2. Fire fighting equipment

Portable extinguishers

The boat is delivered without extinguishers, the application of the national regulations of the country of registration of your boat are your responsibility. The boat must be equipped, when in service, with portable extinguishers


We recommend the installation of at least one extinguisher at least 5 metres from each berth, at least 2 metres from the engine compartment extinguishing aperture, at least 2 metres from any naked flame appliance and at least 1 metre from the helm station. We recommend a total portable extinguishing capacity of 8A/68B, each appliance having at least a capacity of 5A/34B. CO₂ extinguishers should be dedicated to galley or electrical fires.

The recommended places for the extinguishers are identified with the symbol 


On boats fitted with an inboard engine, there is a discharge aperture for the engine compartment whose location is identified on the following diagram by the symbol:



Fire blankets

A fire blanket should be placed in the position indicated by the symbol 

3.1.3. Escape routes

The recommended escape routes are indicated on the opposite diagram by the arrow: 

3.1.4. Preventive advice

General

- **Do not freely hang curtains or any other fabrics close to or above cooking appliances or other naked flame appliances.**
 - **Keep the bilges clean and regularly check for the absence of vapours and fuel or gas leaks.**
 - **Do not stow combustible materials in the engine compartment.**
 - **Do not leave the boat unattended when cooking and/or heating appliances are in use.**
 - **Do not smoke when handling fuel or gas.**
- Make sure that fire fighting equipment is readily accessible when the boat is occupied.
 - Show members of the crew:
 - the location of fire fighting equipment and how to use it,
 - the location of the engine compartment extinguisher aperture,
 - the emergency exits and routes.
 - If any elements of the fire fighting installations need replacing, only use appropriate elements, bearing the same description or having the same technical capacities and an equivalent resistance to fire.
 - If non-combustible materials are stowed in the engine compartment, they should be lashed so that there is no risk of them falling onto the machinery and they should neither obstruct access to the engine compartment nor exit from it.
 - Do not obstruct passages towards the exits and hatches.
 - Do not obstruct safety controls, i.e.: fuel shut-off valves, gas shut-off valves, electrical system switches
 - Do not obstruct access to portable fire extinguishers stowed in lockers.
 - Do not use gas lamps in the boat.
 - Do not modify any of the boat's installations (especially electrical, fuel or gas) or let unqualified personnel modify any of the boat's installations.
 - Do not fill fuel tanks or replace gas tanks when the engine is running or when cooking or heating appliances are being used.

Maintenance of fire fighting equipment

The owner / user of the boat should:

- Have the fire fighting equipment serviced according to the frequency indicated on the equipment.
- Replace portable fire extinguishers if they have passed their use-by-date or have been discharged, with appliances having equal or superior extinguishing capacity.
- Fill or replace fixed fire extinguishing systems if they have been discharged or have passed their use-by-date.

3.2. Visibility

Visibility from the helm station can be obstructed because of high angles of the boat's trim or because of other factors caused by one or several of the following conditions:

- Load and distribution of the load
- Speed
- Sea state
- Rain and spray
- Darkness and fog
- Light inside the boat
- Position of overhead and side awnings
- People or movable equipment located in the helmsman's field of visibility
- Fast acceleration and transition from the displacement mode to the planing mode in the case of powerboats
- Angle of trim tabs associated with the engine (for boats thus equipped)
- Angle of trim tabs associated with the hull (for boats thus equipped)
- Heel of sailing boats, the sails reduce visibility to leeward.

The international regulations for the prevention of collisions at sea (COLREGS) and rules of the road impose a correct and permanent watch and the respect of priorities. Respect of these regulations is essential.

3.3. Stability, risk of flooding

- **Reduce speed before going into tight turns, to avoid losing control.**
- When underway, maintain portlights, windows and opening doors closed.
- Stability is reduced when weight is added aloft.
- Stability can be reduced when towing a boat or lifting a heavy weight with davits or the boom.
- Breaking waves constitute great danger for stability and can cause flooding. Close doors and companionway hatches in a rough seaway.
- Do not drive the boat with negative trim (bows down) at high speed. This could make the boat heel and could result in instability in turns. Use negative trim for passing from displacement speed to planing speed, and at lower speeds in chop.
- Compartments marked as being air tanks should not be perforated.
- If the boat is qualified as unsinkable, it is capable of supporting its passengers, even when flooded.
- On a boat where a bilge pump is not required, it is the responsibility of the user / owner to have at least a bucket / bailer on board fitted with a means of preventing its accidental loss.


3.4. Prevention of falling overboard

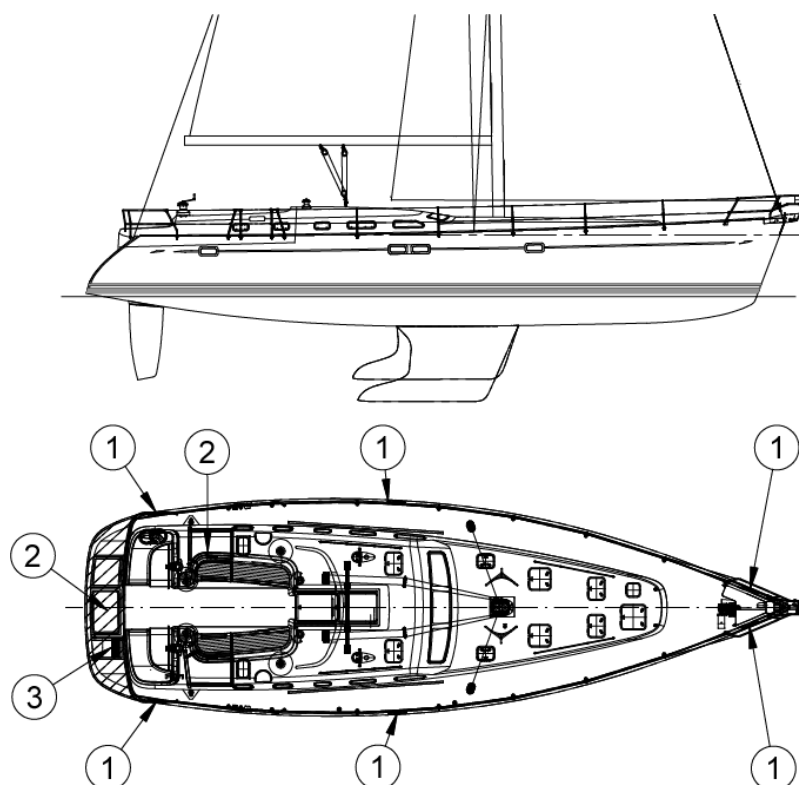
- Some boats are fitted with folding bathing ladders. The bathing ladder should be in place as soon as anybody is on board.
- The parts of the deck that are not considered as part of the working deck and which should not be used underway are shaded on the diagram below.
- Regularly check the guardrails:
 - For metal cable guardrails, check for fraying of strands and corrosion especially at terminals.
 - For synthetic fibre guardrails, change them as soon as any signs of wear appear due to fraying or UV.

3.5. Life raft (not supplied)

Carefully read its instruction manual.

REF	Description
1	Cleats
2	Life raft stowage
3	Swimming ladder stowage

 : zones excluded from the working deck



4. EQUIPMENT

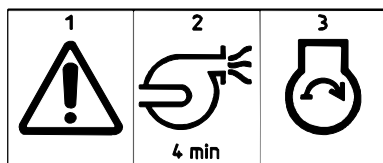
For further information on the different items of equipment installed, please refer to their manuals included with the boat's documentation.

4.1. Engine

4.1.1. Operating advice

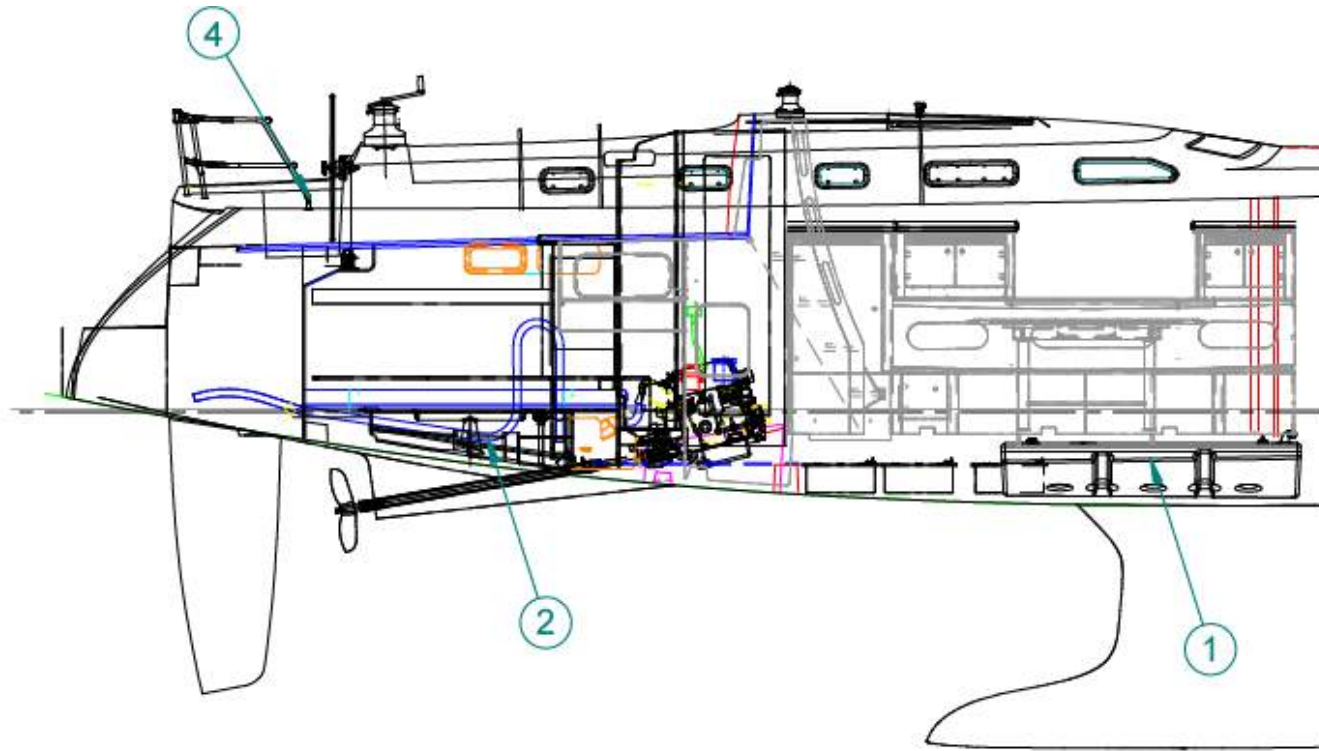
- Do not install in this boat an engine of superior power or weight than what is recommended, because this could hinder stability.
- Stop the engine and do not smoke when refuelling.
 - For outboard engines equipped with a separate portable fuel tank, fill the tank away from the boat in a well-ventilated place far from any risks of ignition.
 - Fuels not stowed in tanks (portable tanks, jerrycans...) must be stowed in a ventilated space.
 - Before starting, make sure that the engine bilge is clean and dry. Any presence of fuel in the bilges should be cause for not starting.
 - Avoid contact between flammable materials and the hot parts of the engine.
 - Locate the extinguisher aperture allowing the extinguishing of engine compartment fires.
 - For boats equipped with petrol engines, ventilate the engine compartment for 4 minutes with the help of a bilge fan to eliminate possible petrol fumes.
 - A fixed extinguishing system for fighting engine compartment fires is installed in certain models. Learn where to find the triggering system and how to operate it (see § 3.1.2). The engine compartment should be ventilated after triggering.
- Make sure that ventilation openings are well clear.
 - Do not obstruct or modify the ventilation system.
 - Before starting, make sure that:
 - the engine controls are not engaged
 - the raw water inlet seacock is open then check that water is being discharged from the exhaust (the water may be mixed with exhaust gases in the case of a wet exhaust) once the engine has started.
 - It is not recommended to work on or near moving mechanical parts (engine, propeller shaft, etc.).
 - If work is necessary, stop the engine and/or the rotation of the propeller shaft before working on one of their elements.
 - Be careful with ample loose clothing, hair or rings that could get caught up. Wear appropriate clothing (gloves, hats, etc)
 - Be careful about drowsiness due to carbon monoxide with petrol engines
 - In case of spillage on deck when refuelling, clean up before starting
 - Anticipate the deterioration of fuel lines and hoses.
 - Flexible fuel hoses should be replaced by hoses bearing the same markings.

Meaning of symbols



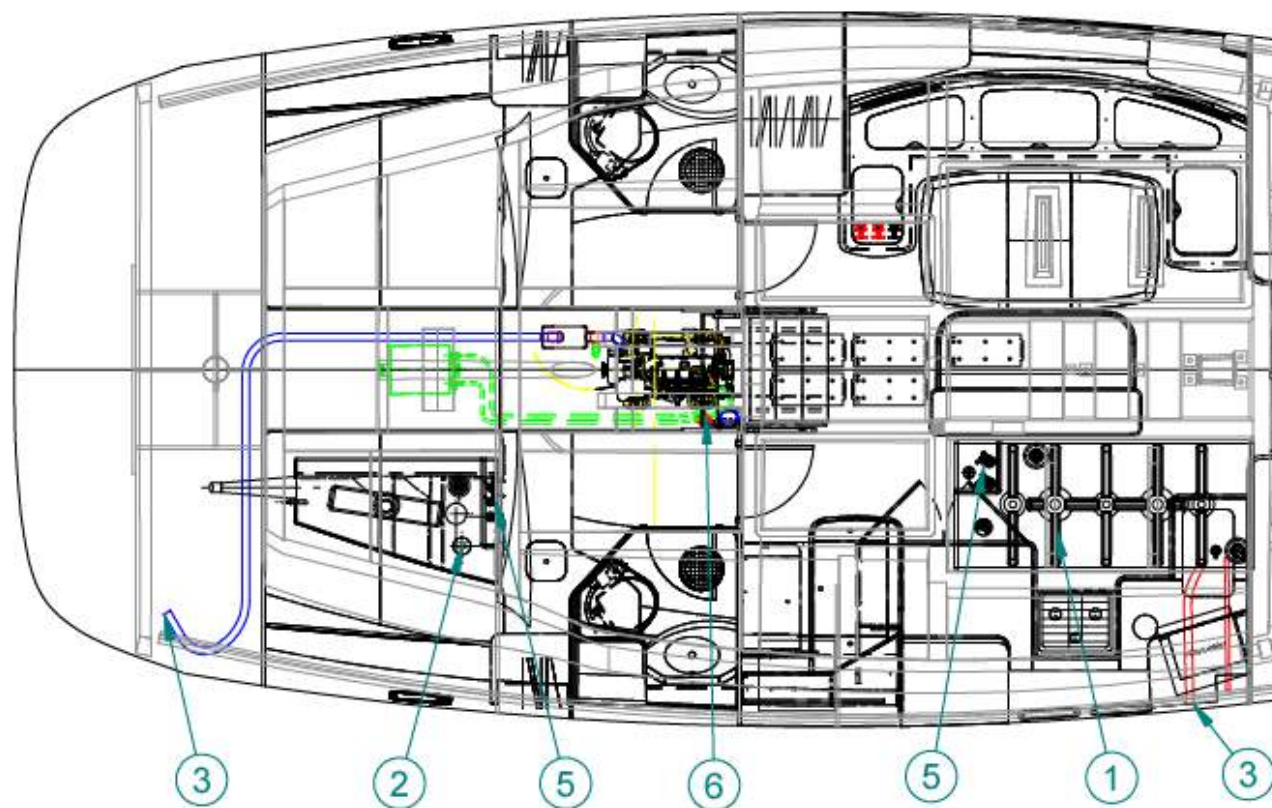
- 1 : Attention
2 : Ventilate for 4 minutes
3 : Start

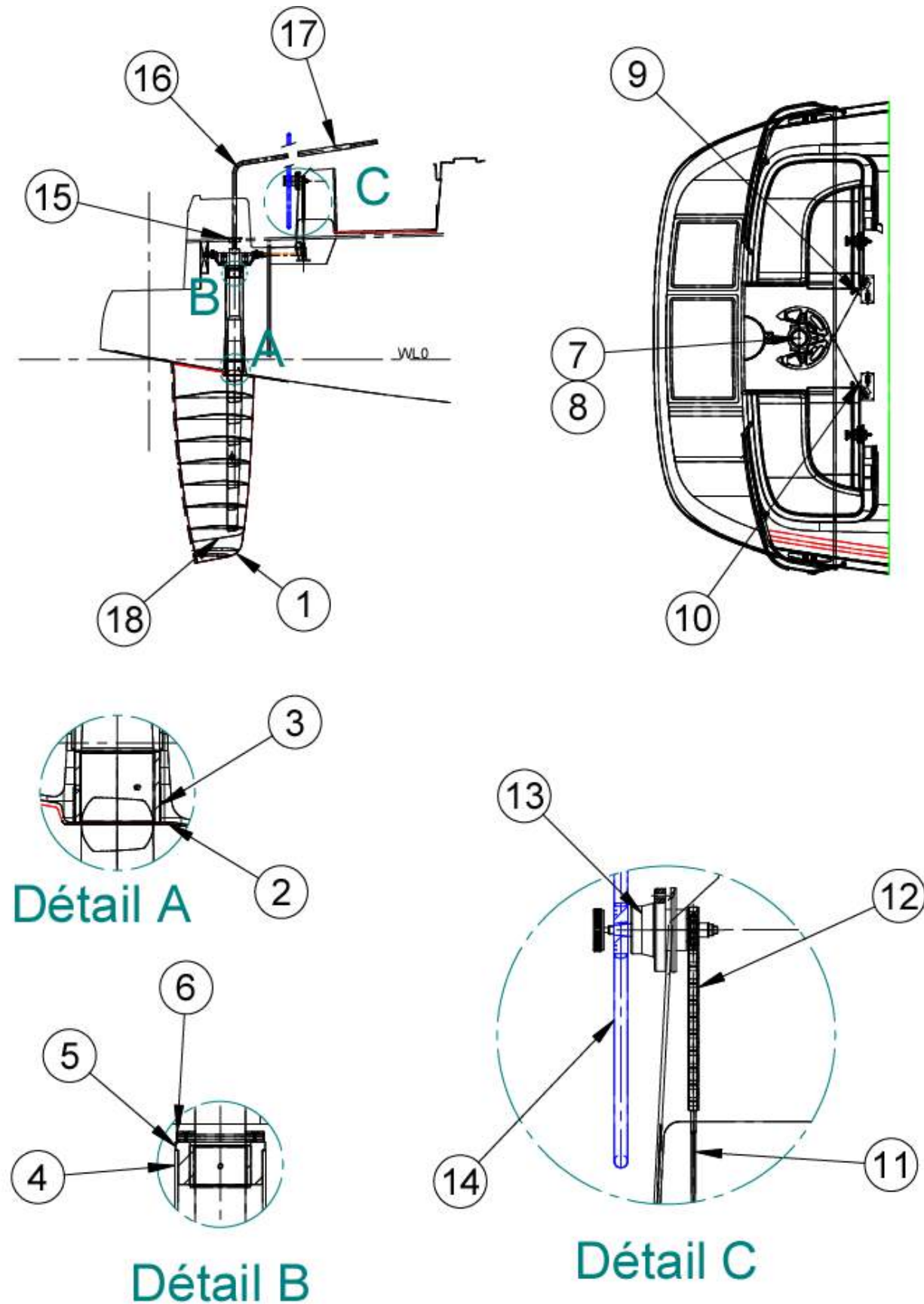
4.1.2. Fuel tanks



REF	Description
1	Fuel tank 415 l
2	Fuel tank 200 l (Optional)
3	Fuel filler
4	Fuel gauge
5	Fuel cut-off
6	Fuel filter

The indicated capacities cannot be totally used depending on trim, load or the position of filling and possible places of draining.





4.2. Steering system

- At least once per year check the tension of the cables; in case of doubt, consult your dealer.
- Boats equipped with a steering wheel are provided with an emergency tiller, make sure that it is accessible at all times.
- Remove the deck plate, fit the tiller into the socket on the top of the rudder stock and operate the valve.
- The emergency tiller is designed for running at reduced speed only in the event of a steering failure.

REF	DESCRIPTION
1	RUDDER 14523 + LONG GLASS STOCK
2	CENTRING RING
3	BRONZE RING
4	RUDDER TRUNK
5	RUDDER TRUNK BEARING
6	SS COLLAR
7	QUADRANT
8	PIN
9	PORT PULLEY BRACKET
10	STD PULLEY BRACKET
11	CABLE
12	CHAIN
13	BULKHEAD STEERING SYSTEM
14	STEERING WHEEL
15	DECK PLATE
16	EMERGENCY TILLER
17	EMERGENCY TILLER EXTENSION
18	RUDDER 14523 + SHORT GLASS STOCK

4.3. Electrical system

All the functions or switchboards where the voltage is not stated are in 12 or 24 volts

4.3.1. 12V-24V electrical system

- **Never work on a live electrical installation.**
- Batteries should be carefully lashed.
- Do not obstruct the battery ventilation ducts, some of them discharge hydrogen presenting a risk of explosion. Do not obstruct the battery ventilation ducts, some of them discharge hydrogen presenting a risk of explosion.
- Batteries should be handled with precaution. In case of the spillage of electrolyte, rinse the part of the body that has entered into contact with it abundantly and call a doctor.
- To avoid a short circuit between the two battery poles, do not stow conductive objects close to the batteries (metal tools,...).
- When charging or connecting / disconnecting batteries, close the battery switches.
- Never modify the characteristics of devices for the protection of overvoltage.
- Never modify an installation. Call on the services of a qualified marine electrician.
- Never install or replace electrical equipment or appliances with components exceeding the amperage of the system.
- Never leave the boat unattended when the electrical installation is switched on, except for the automatic bilge pump and systems for fire protection or burglar alarms.
- Some light fittings generate a considerable amount of heat, which may present a hazard for surroundings objects.

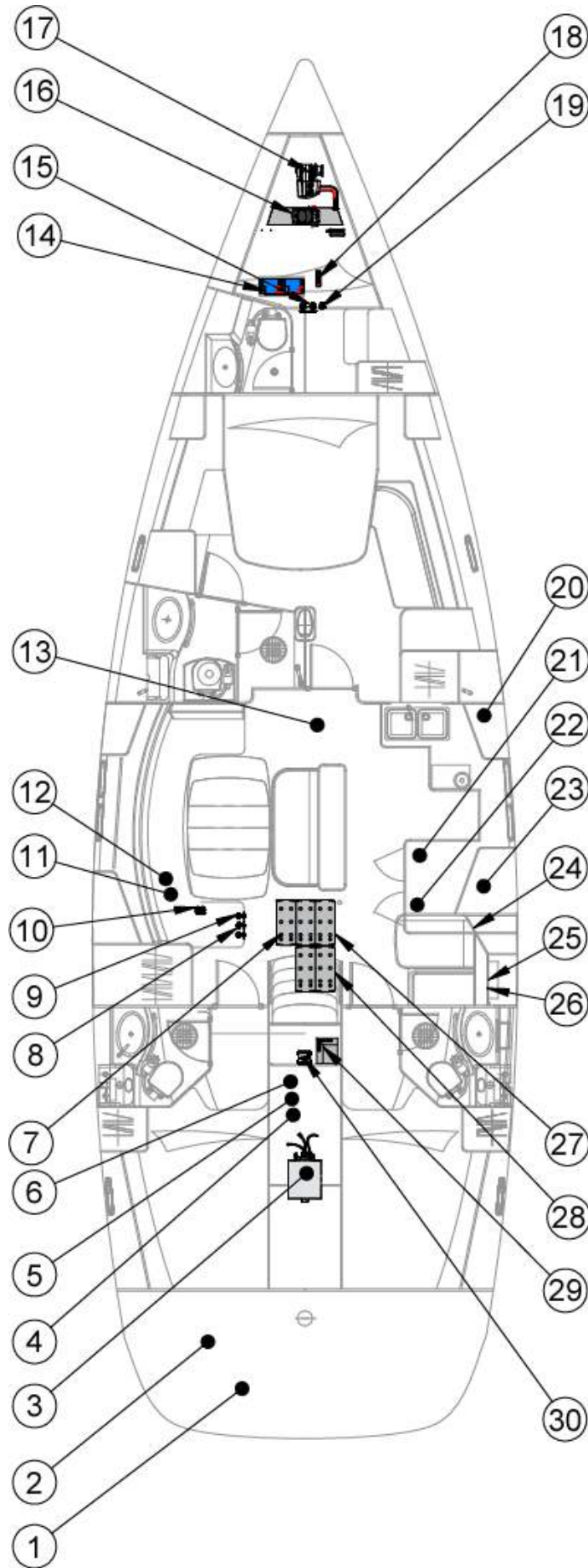
Please note; the wires of the 12V system are red for the positives and black for the negatives. Those for the 24V system are white or brown for the positives and blue for the negatives.

4.3.2. 110V-220V electrical system

Some boats are fitted (as standard or on option depending on the models) with a 110V or 220V system. The following measures should be taken to avoid the risks of electric shocks and fires.

- **Never work on a live installation.**
- **Connect the shore power cable at the boat end before connecting to the shore power outlet.**
- **Never let the end of the shore power cable hang in the water.**
- **When the shore power cable is connected, there can be a difference between the boat's "earth" and that of the mains, therefore there is a risk of an equalising current and electrocution (notably of swimmers bathing close by).**
- **Cut off the shore power supply at the breaking device installed on board before connecting or disconnecting the shore power cable.**
- **Disconnect the shore power cable at the shore end first.**
- **If the reverse polarity indicator is activated, immediately disconnect the cable. Rectify the polarity error before using the boat's electrical installation.**
- **Make sure the shore power input protection is closed.**
- **Never modify the connections of the shore power cable: only use compatible connections.**
- Never modify the boat's electrical installation or the pertinent diagrams. Any installation, modification and maintenance should be carried out by a qualified marine electrician. Check the system at least twice per year.
- Deactivate the boat's power supply when the system is not being used. This is to prevent fires.
- Connect the boxes or metal envelopes of the electrical appliances installed to the boat's protection lead (green with yellow stripes lead)
- Use electrical appliances with double insulation or with earthing.

Please note, live wires are brown, neutral wires are blue and earth conductors are yellow and green.



4.3.3. Location of battery switches, switchboards and electrical appliances...

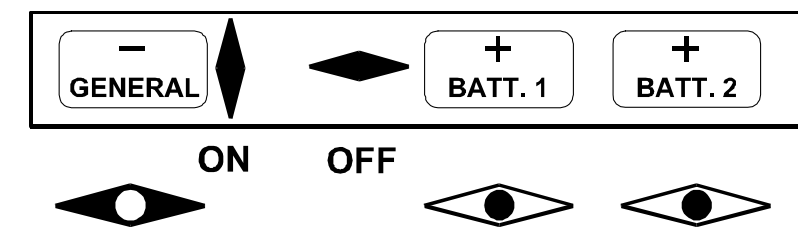
- Before changing a fuse, switch off the battery switches.

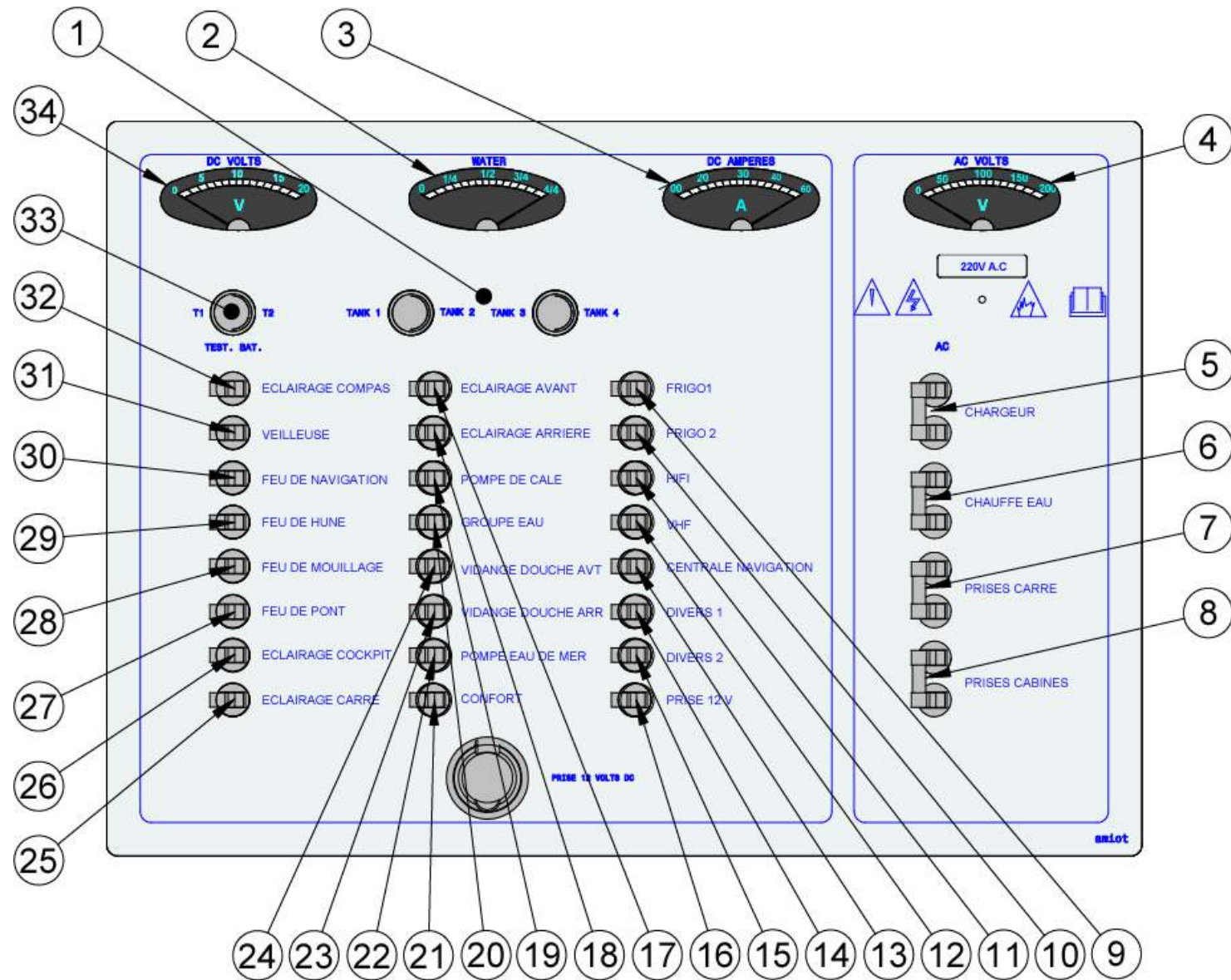
Some of the equipment in the following table could be on option.

REF	DESCRIPTION
1	Shore power socket
2	220/110V circuit breaker
3	Water heater
4	220/110V circuit breaker
5	Winch circuit breaker
6	Air-conditioning panel
7	Engine battery
8	Domestic and engine battery switch
9	Generator battery switch
10	Fusible tableau
11	Pressurised water unit
12	Electric bilge pump
13	Underwater bilge pump
14	Thruster battery
15	Thruster battery switch

REF	DESCRIPTION
16	Thruster
17	Windlass
18	Thruster fuse
19	Windlass circuit breaker
20	Microwave oven
21	Fridge 1
22	Fridge 2 or cooler
23	Washing-machine
24	Electronics
25	Electric panel
26	Radio
27	Spare battery
28	Domestic batteries
29	Battery charger
30	Load dispatcher

Operation of battery switches





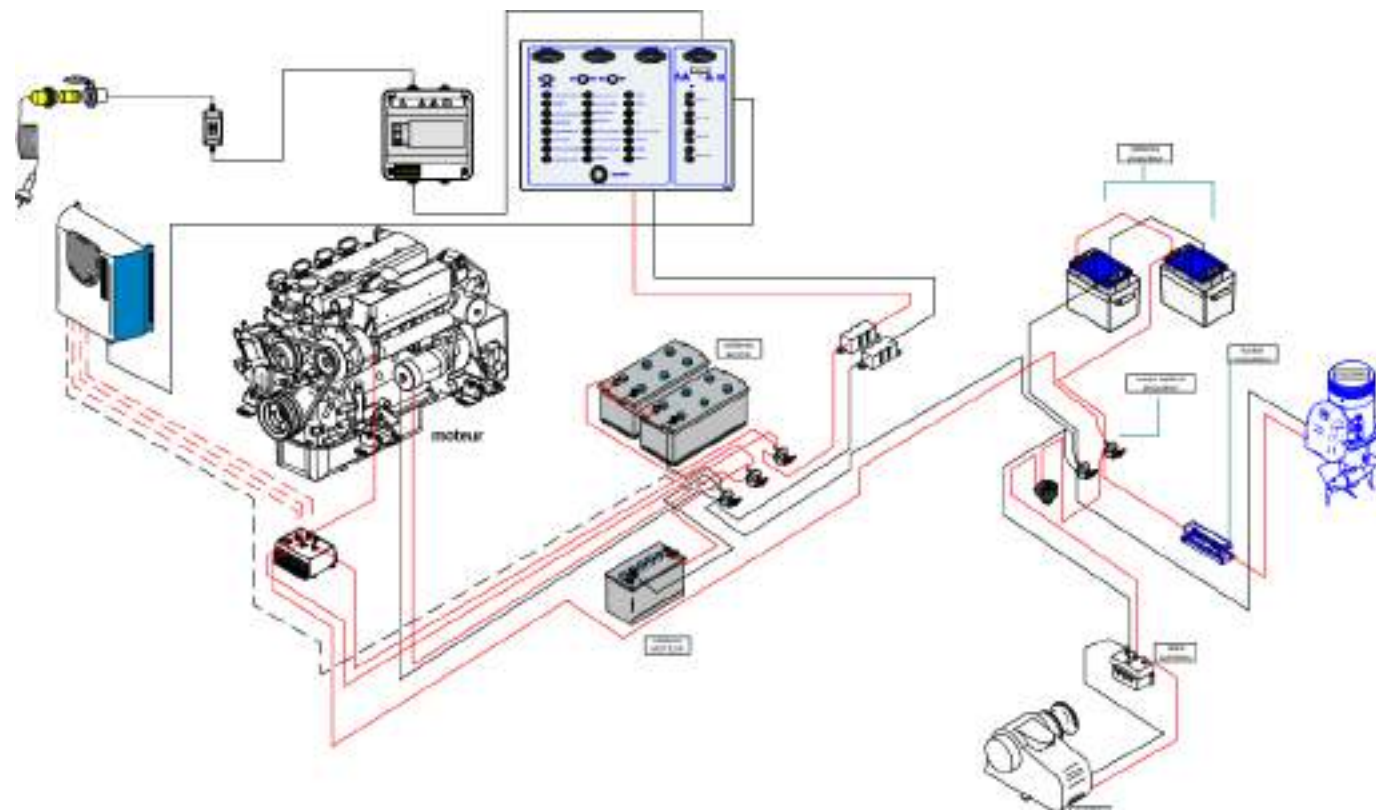
4.3.4. Switchboard and electrical systems

- Before changing a fuse, switch off the battery switches.

The fuses of functions presented on the switchboard are found behind it.

Some equipment could be on option.

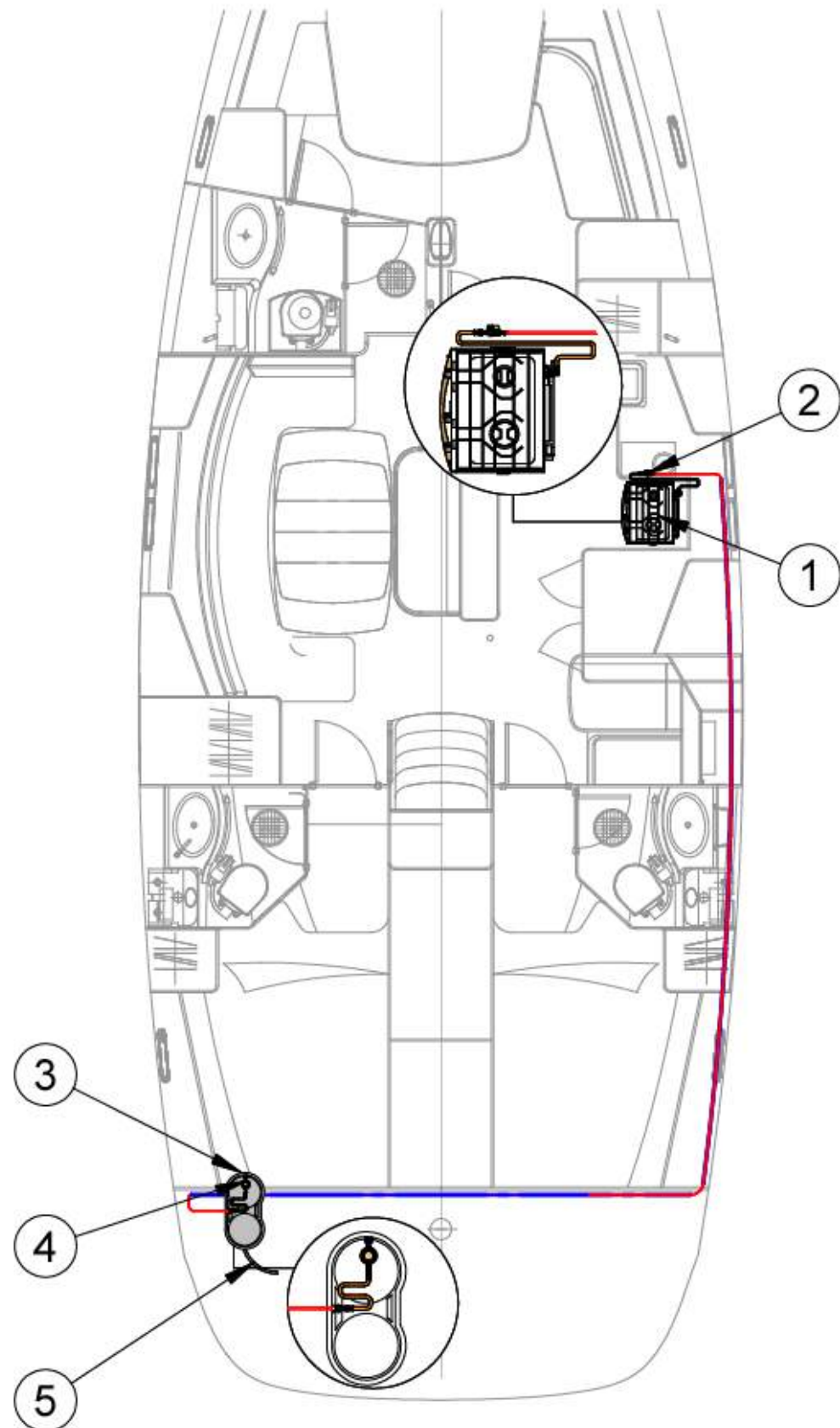
REF	FUNCTION	Fuse
1	Water level switchover switch	
2	Water level indicator	
3	Ammeter	
4	AC Voltmeter	
5	220V AC battery charger	10
6	220V AC water heater	10
7	Saloon 220V AC sockets	10
8	Cabins 220V AC sockets	10
9	Fridge 1	10
10	Fridge 2	10
11	Radio	10
12	VHF	10
13	Navigation centre	15
14	Spare 1	15
15	Spare 2	10
16	12V DC socket	10
17	Fwd interior lighting	10
18	Port interior lighting	10
19	Bilge pump	15
20	Pressurised water unit	15
21	Comfort	15
22	Seawater pump	10
23	Aft showers	15
24	Fwd showers	15
25	Saloon interior lighting	15
26	Cockpit lighting	10
27	Deck light	10
28	Anchor light	5
29	Masthead light	5
30	Navigation lights	10
31	Saloon night lighting	5
32	Compass light	5
33	Battery voltage switchover switch	
34	DC voltmeter	



4.4. Gas system

4.4.1. Gas cooker

- Never install flammable materials above cooker (curtains, papers, serviettes, etc...).
 - Never leave the boat unattended when gas or spirit appliances are operating.
 - In the case of gas smells or the accidental extinguishing of the flames (even though the gas supply is automatically shut-off in case of extinction), close the taps and create a draught of air to evacuate residual gas. Look for the cause of the problem.
 - Do not smoke or use a naked flame when looking for a gas leak or when changing a gas tank or when working on the gas system.
- Appliances burning combustible fuels consume cabin oxygen and reject combustion gases into the boat. It is therefore necessary to ventilate the boat when cooking or gas appliances are being used. Do not obstruct ventilation holes in the boat (ventilator cowls) and at least leave the door open.
 - Close the gas supply line valve and the gas tank valves when the appliances are not in use.
 - For cookers with integral gas cylinders, change the cylinders outside the boat. Test before replacing the cooker in the galley. Make sure that you lock the cooker gimbals after replacing it.
 - Never use cooking appliances to heat the boat.
 - Never obstruct openings intended for ventilation.
 - Make sure that the burner knobs are closed before opening the supply line or tank valves.
 - Close the valves before changing a tank and immediately in case of an emergency.
 - Stow spare tanks in ventilated housings on deck or in lockers provided for this, which should be gas tight and ventilated towards the outside.
 - Never obstruct access to components of the gas system notably to the valves (tank and cooker).
 - The flexible hoses connecting the tank to the extremity of the system at one end and the cooker at the other should be changed in accordance with regulations in force in your country. Use only hoses complying with the standards of your country.
 - Do not use gas tank lockers for stowing any other equipment.
 - Be careful not to damage the thread of the tank onto which is fitted the regulator. Check the condition of the regulator every year and change if necessary. Use regulators identical to those installed.
 - Make sure that empty tank valves are closed and disconnected. Keep protective devices in place; caps and bungs.
 - Never use ammonia based solutions for cleaning or leak detection.

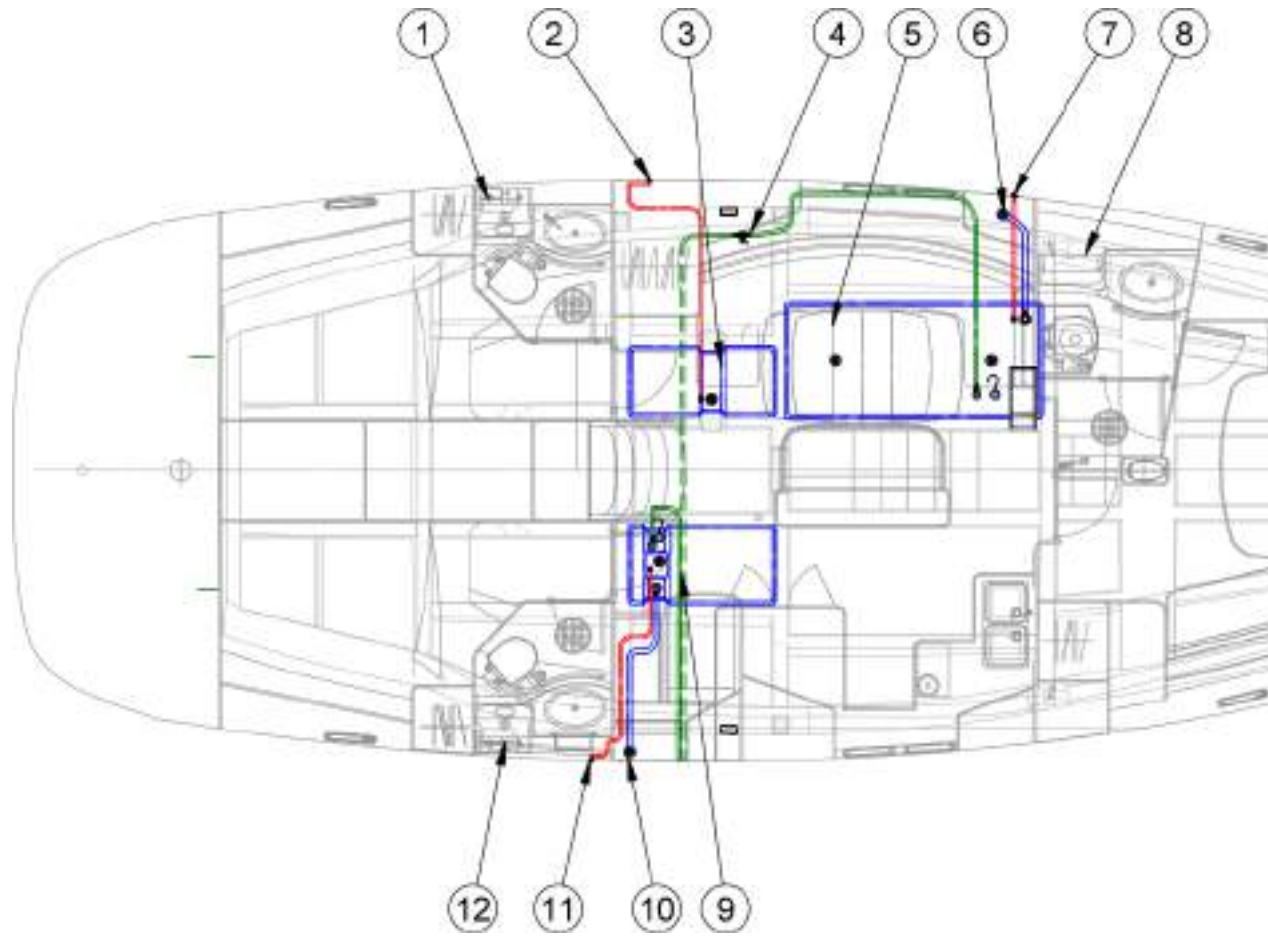


4.4.2. Plan of the gas system

REF	DESCRIPTION
1	Hob / Oven
2	Stopcock under sink
3	Gas locker
4	Regulator
5	Gas locker drain

4.5. Freshwater and black water tanks

4.5.1. Characteristics



REF	Description
1	Port aft black water sump tank
2	Port aft tank breather
3	Port aft tank
4	2 way valve port and std tanks
5	Port saloon tank
6	Std saloon and port aft tank filler
7	Port saloon tank breather
8	Port fwd black water sump tank
9	Std saloon tank
10	Std saloon tank filler
11	Std saloon tank breather
12	Std aft black water sump tank

- **These capacities cannot be totally used depending on the trim, loading and the position of filling point(s) and / or eventual emptying point(s).**
- Do not discharge the toilets close to shore.
- Inform yourself about local environmental protection regulations, and the respect of codes of good practice.
- Respect international regulations against pollution of the marine environment (Marpol).

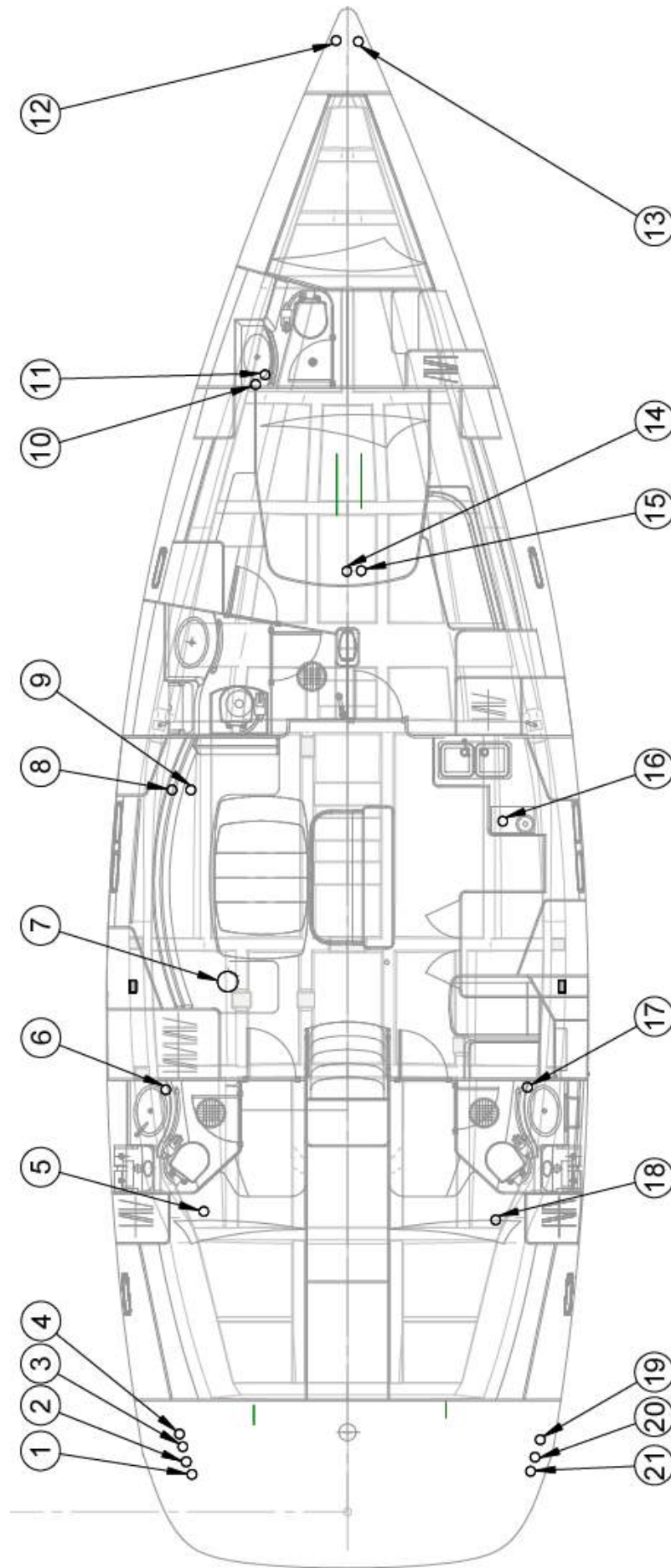
4.5.2. Operating the black water holding system

The operating principle for the system is described in the attached schematic diagram.

- After each use, rinse the system: fill the bowl with fresh or sea water then empty.
- Products to use for cleaning should be domestic cleaning products.
- The system should be empty during immobilisation of the ship in negative temperatures.

For the respect of the environment:

- Do not discharge the contents of the holding tanks close to the shore; use the pumping systems of ports or marinas for emptying the holding tanks before leaving port.
- Make sure that the holding tank discharge cock is closed in order to avoid any inadvertent discharging.



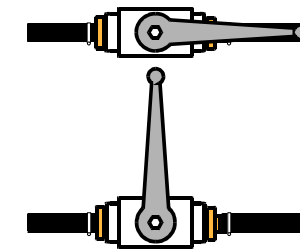
4.6. Pumps, seacocks and skin fittings

4.6.1. Pumps

- **The bilge pump system is not intended to guarantee the buoyancy of the boat in case of damage.**
- Never let the pumps run dry, this could damage them.
- Bilge water should be kept to a minimum.
- Visually check at regular intervals the working condition of each bilge pump.
- Make sure that the suction points or pump strainers are not obstructed by debris.
- If there are watertight bulkheads isolating the fore and aft peaks fitted with cocks, they should be normally closed and only opened to drain water into the main bilge.

4.6.2. Seacocks and skin fittings

OPENING AND CLOSING OF SEACOCKS :



OPEN

CLOSED

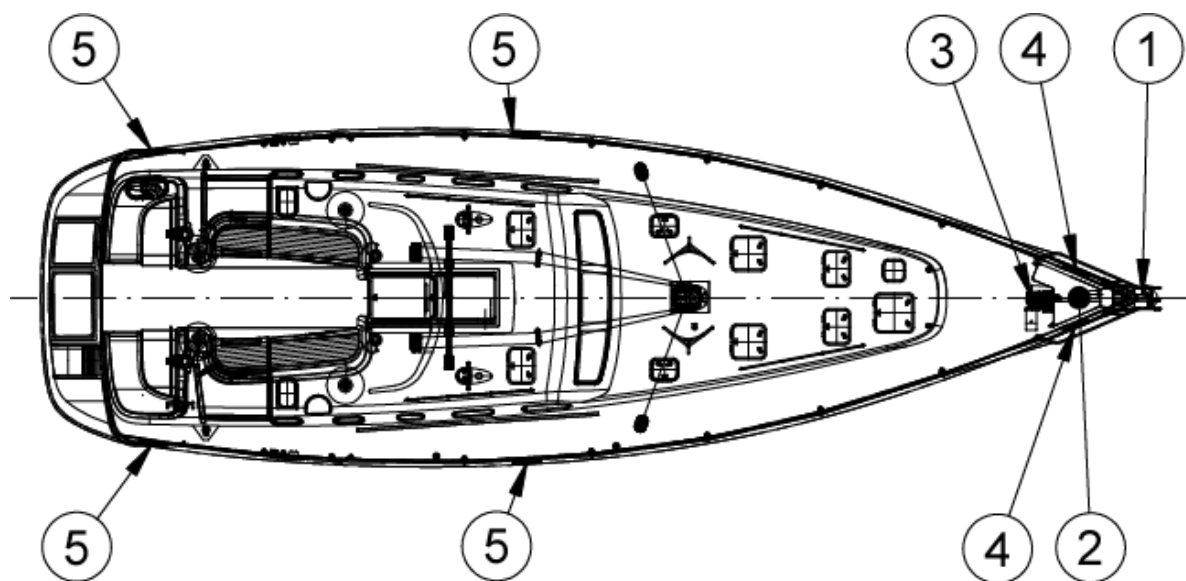
- Maintain seacocks, cockpit draining drains, deck plates and other opening / closing devices in the closed or open positions, depending on the case, to minimise the risk of flooding.

REF	Description
1	Gas locker drain
2	Electric bilge pump drain
3	Manual bilge pump drain
4	Port sail locker drain
5	Port aft toilet outlet
6	Port aft toilet water inlet
7	Pressurised water unit
8	Port toilet water inlet
9	Port toilet outlet
10	Port fwd toilet water inlet
11	Port fwd toilet outlet
12	Chain locker port scupper
13	Chain locker std scupper
14	Echo sounder through-hull fitting
15	Log through-hull fitting
16	Sink drain
17	Std aft toilet outlet
18	Std aft toilet water inlet
19	Std sail locker drain
20	Generator exhaust
21	Engine exhaust

5. ANCHORING, MOORING AND TOWING

- Keep the chain locker hatch cover closed at sea
- Towing should be done at low speeds
- A tow should be secured in such a way that it can be released under load
- The owner should ensure that dock lines, tow ropes, attachment points and chains correspond to conditions of use of the boat.

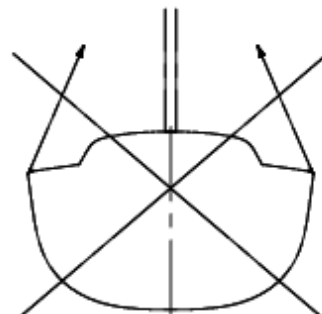
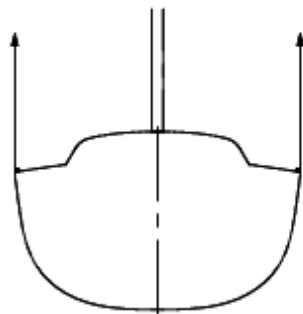
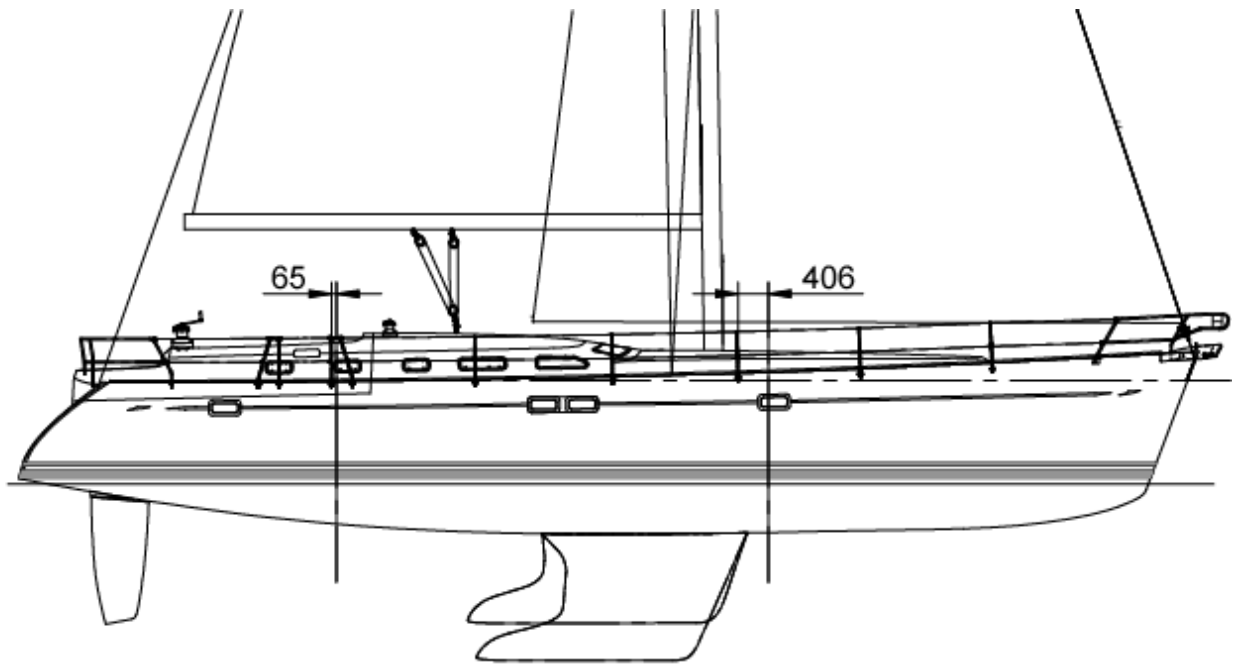
REF	Description
1	Bow fitting
2	Chain locker
3	Windlass
4	Moorings and towing cleats
5	Moorings cleats



6. HAULING OUT AND TRANSPORTATION

DIAGRAM AND MEASUREMENTS OF POSITIONING CENTRELINES FOR CRADLES AND LIFTING SLINGS

- Make sure that the boat is stable on its trailer, both longitudinally and laterally.
- Do not forget to tighten the straps or belts.



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- avant de prendre la mer, informez vos proches de vos intentions
- renseignez vous sur les conditions locales (météo, courant, etc)
- possédez des moyens radio VHF fiables et contrôlez-les
- faites porter un gilet de sauvetage aux enfants

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NOM:.....PRENOM:.....
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8. Charter for the sea and inland waterways

Charte pour la mer et les rivières

*L'eau est un milieu vivant, fragile.
C'est aussi une ressource précieuse*

Pour protéger ce milieu,

- **Je respecte la mer et les rivières, je n'aborde pas les sites protégés, je limite ma pêche aux espèces et tailles autorisées, j'observe les animaux sans les toucher ni les déranger.**
- **Avant de mouiller, je m'informe de la nature du fond pour éviter sa dégradation. De préférence, j'utilise les bouées d'amarrage.**
- **Je dépose mes déchets ménagers dans les containers et mes déchets toxiques, solides et liquides, à la déchetterie portuaire.**
- **J'utilise les installations sanitaires portuaires. Je vidange mon bac à eaux noires dans les stations de pompage. J'utilise les produits détergents les plus respectueux de l'environnement.**
- **Je m'assure que toute opération d'entretien (bateau, matériel, équipement) est effectuée dans le respect de l'environnement. Je manipule avec précaution tous les liquides susceptible de polluer lors de leur transvasement.**

