**SCOUTING IRELAND NAUTICAL PROGRAMME** 

## ADVENTURES & AFLOAT COURS

## **BOSUNS MATE**





1. How Windy is it? Find out about the Beaufort Scale.

Build an Anemometer to measure the Wind Speed.



2. Being Safe around the Water. [discussion group]

What is expected of me to keep safe on and near the water?



3. Go with the Flow - What are Currents & Tides?

Learn about your local moving waters - where does all the water go?



4. Coil a rope & Heave a line.

Can you heave a line 5-metres away? Why can this be a useful skill?



5. Orientate an Admiralty Chart to North.

Identify your position on a Marine Map using a Grid-Reference. Find a local landmark that you can recognise on the chart. Can you identify what the different chart colours mean?



6. Host a Beach-Clean along your Local Shoreline.

Did you find any Marine Debris? Match it on the Biodegradable Timetable. Discover what Common Aquatic life lives near you.



Invite A Guest to meet your Cub Pack to talk about Water Safety, Adventure or the Marine Environment.

**OR** meet up with a Sea Scouting Cub Pack and share an activity together.







1. What are the differences between a Buoyancy-Aid vs a Lifejacket?

Wear a PFD correctly and complete a Swim Test in your local waters.



2. What's the Weather like?

Get the forecast for today and know why this is important.

Record the weather forecast everyday for 1-week. Was the forecast accurate?



3. Get Afloat in any type of Craft.

Help secure your boat to a berth, mooring, pier or harbour wall.

- Make-Fast to a Cleat & consider using fenders! Heaving a line can be very useful here + knowing basic parts of your boat!



4. Weigh Anchor! assist with Anchoring your Boat.

- Can you identify what type of anchor you are using? Be sure to check your depth before anchoring!
- Make a Lead-Line to check the Water Depth.



**5. Compass Crusaders - Cardinal Treasure Hunt.** 

Discover the different Compass Cardinal Points & learn about Compass Bearings. Follow compass bearings to find some treasure!



6. Oh Buoy! - be able to recognise common Nautical Buoyage.

Port, Starboard, Safe Water, Isolated Danger, Cardinal Marks, Special.

Complete Adventure Skills Stage 4 in Sailing or Rowing or Paddling.