**Information the rescue helicopter will require**

**VHF16**

(1) Position

(2) Name and registration number of vessel

(3) Nature of distress

(4) Your speed

(5) Your course

(6) The forecast in your area

(7) What radios you have onboard

(8) Do you have distress rockets/hand held flares on your vessel  
  
Call sign will be RESCUE HELICOPTER followed by 3 numbers  
(E.g.) Rescue Helicopter 137

**High line manoeuvres**  
(1) Listen to the captain of the helicopters orders

CH 16 volume high; Pilot=SB of helicopter; no lights up

(2) Speed should be between 5 knots

(3) Try and put the wind 300 off your port bow

(4) Hold this course unless instructed to do otherwise

(5) Clear the decks of obstacles (lines, cans, clothes)

(6) Have men ready for the high line wire

(7) **Never make the wire fast to your vessel**, coil it into a plastic basket

(10) Have 3-4 men pull on the wire and try and keep it tight

(11) **Do not touch the wire till it earths in the sea**, its full of static electricity