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Radio Operators Guidelines for Receiving a Report Regarding Overdue Vessels

1.0 Introduction

People making this type of inquiry are invariably reluctant to supply definite information so as to avoid committing themselves or to avoid embarrassment. Listed below are the guidelines for obtaining the information needed to complete an Overdue Vessel Report.

2.0 References

Queensland Police Service Maritime Search & Rescue Manual
Form **VMR024**

3.0 Detailed information

Whilst other particulars may become available, the particulars given below should be sufficient to establish whether a full scale search should be made. This decision is usually left to the Police.

3.1 Information Required

- Date Call Received
- Time Call Received
- Name of Enquirer (Full Name Required)
- Address of Enquirer (Residential Address, not PO Box)
- Phone Number of Enquirer Note (Include Area Code)
- Enquirers Relationship To Persons Overdue
- Particulars of Persons Overdue
- Description of Vessel (If these details are not known they could possibly be obtained from person who sold the boat or serviced the motor or radio)
- Planned Itinerary (Check purpose of trip i.e. fishing, cruising, testing boat etc. Areas previously visited or mentioned. Identity of persons who have been on previous trips or relatives and friends of these persons. Identity of employer, workmates or associates. Some mention may have been made of intended destination)
- Name of person taking report

4.0 Summary

Probably the most important question is the physical condition of the person/s reported overdue and their ability to withstand the existing conditions. The above questions assist in filling out the Vessel Overdue Report Form. If further information is volunteered or obtained it may be of further assistance in locating the person/s and should be noted for possible reference.

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