

### INTERNAL SAFETY PROCEDURES FOR SCATTERING OF ASHES AT SEA

## PRIOR TO THE FAMILIES' ARRIVAL

The Skipper and Crew member will confirm the running order, roles, and responsibilities for the smooth running of the Scattering Ceremony

### ON ARRIVAL AT THE MARINA

Greet Guests and Welcome the families aboard – being sensitive to the occasion

Normal Safety Briefing with the addition of the Scattering Ceremony - stressing the importance of safety in the actual scattering of ashes whilst at sea

# SKIPPER TO LIAISE WITH THE DESIGNATED FAMILY MEMBER (PRIOR TO DEPARTURE)

Prior to departing the Marina the Skipper will identify who will be scattering/placing the ashes on the water – advising that person of the need to wear a life jacket and securing harness strap

The Skipper will advise the designated family member on how the boat will be positioned (head to wind) and that the chosen stop point for the ceremony will be agreed based on weather conditions

It is the Skipper's responsibility to ensure that a life jacket and securing strap are worn by any person(s) proposing to go through the transom gate and onto the bathing platform

The crew members will then take over responsibility for the guests during the short cruise to the agreed scattering location.

## ON ARRIVAL AT THE AGREED SCATTERING LOCATION

The Skipper will position the vessel to allow the scattering of the ashes to be achieved in maximum guest comfort and safety

The Crew member will check that the life jacket and securing strap are in place and will then accompany the designated person (s) through the transom gate onto the bathing platform securing the "loose" end of the safety strap to the passeral – allowing free movement for the scattering ceremony to be performed

The crew person should then withdraw but stay within a discrete distance to take any action if required (the skipper will usually be at the helm and unable to assist – he will note the Lat/Long references)

Other family members can view from the cockpit and flybridge area of the vessel

The person(s) having carried out the scattering should withdraw back within the cockpit area for the transom gate to be closed securely for the safety of passengers

The family members should be allowed the space to pay their respects – according to their requirements. Any throwing of roses on the water should be undertaken from within the closed cockpit area of the vessel

### **FOLLOWING THE SCATTERING CEREMONY**

The vessel, crew and guests should then prepare for the return cruise back to the Marina – on arrival the vessel will be secured prior to the families departing for their onward journey

THE SKIPPER WILL OFFER MAMARINE'S CONDOLENCES AND OFFER EACH PERSON BEST WISHES AS THEY DEPART THE VESSEL – THANKING THE ORGANISER FOR BOOKING WITH MAMARINE