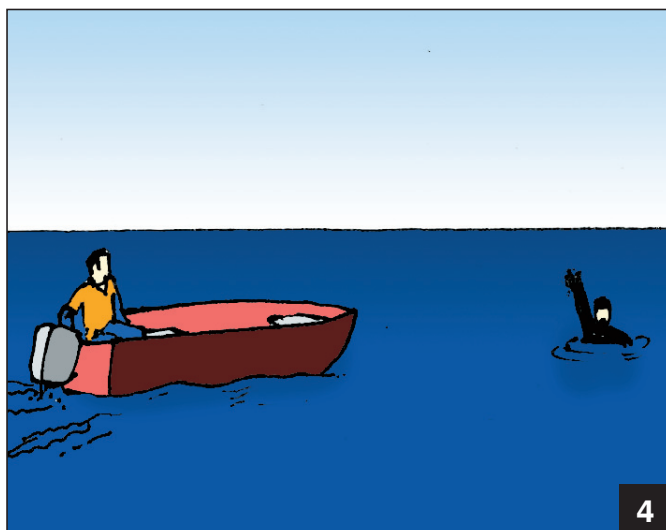
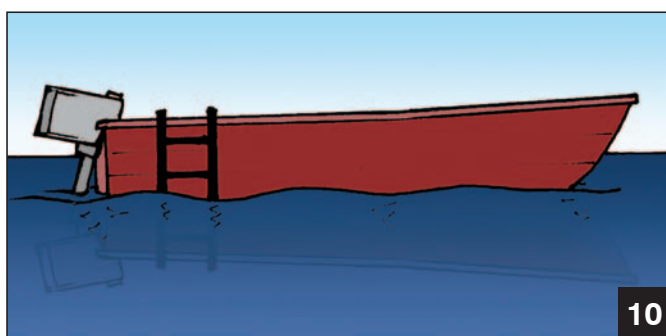


### Key points

1. When diving from small dinghies off larger mother vessels, always anchor the larger vessel down wind (or current) from where you will dive. Then, if the dinghy breaks down, you will drift back towards the main vessel.
2. When you anchor the dive boat make sure it is secure and not going to “drag the anchor” out to sea or onto the rocks.
3. Pay attention to the conditions where you have anchored. Tide levels will change and swell conditions may change.
4. A boat driver must be aware of where the divers are so as not to run them over. This is even more important when 2 or more divers are working off the one dive boat.
5. Find out where all the divers are before moving to pick up catches.



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6. When working close to other operators, be aware of their divers as well as your own so you don't accidentally run them over.
7. Stay aware of the conditions around you! Don't:-
  - Get caught in cracks or caves
  - Get caught in the surge zone and end up on the rocks.
8. Keep an eye on fuel; make sure you have enough to get back to your main vessel or your launch site.
9. When you are responsible for positioning the boat for pick ups, be aware of the conditions around you. Know where waves are breaking. If possible pick up divers with the boat facing towards the waves.
10. Divers must take care around props when entering and leaving the water. Prop guards can help keep divers safe at times, but can also cause loss of performance.