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The stability and buoyancy of this boat has been assessed on the basis of the weights specified in section: 3.2.3

	Warning	The boat should never carry more than the manufacturer's recommended load. The load should be suitably distributed, bearing in mind that stability is most significantly reduced by any weight added high up in the boat
	Caution	Stability can also be adversely affected by sloshing fluid. Bilge water should be kept to a minimum
	Warning	Loose equipment can cause damage to the craft and affect stability. Ensure all loose equipment is properly stowed before setting out.
	Caution	Stability may be reduced when towing or lifting heavy weights using a davit or boom.
	Caution	Breaking waves are a serious stability hazard

## 5.3 Risk of Flooding

	Caution	In rough weather, hatches, lockers and companionway/doorways should be closed to minimise the risk of water ingress.
	Caution	Ensure all limber holes are clear
	Caution	Check function of bilge pumps regularly & clear debris from their inlets.