



Objective: To outline the basic steps of Anchoring and provide a reference during vessel specific training.

### Identify

- The ideal anchorage area is a large sand patch which is free of rock and coral that will provide space for the anchor chain to move as the vessel swings.

### Ready The Anchor

1. Ensure anchor rode will run free by verifying that is free of knots and well
2. Remove keeper line and Pall (chain stop)
3. Ensure captain and crew are ready to drop anchor

### Drop

1. Lower anchor on Captains order
2. Inform captain once anchor has reached the bottom
3. Pay out appropriate scope and inform captain (Min 3:1)
4. Ensure hand signals reflect direction and angle of rode in relation to vessel.
5. Standby for further instructions from Captain

### Watch

- Captain or 1<sup>st</sup> mate must maintain constant watch over anchor and monitor for drag and/or vessel swing