

PEARSON YACHTS
OWNER'S GUIDE AND PROTECTION PLAN
PEARSON-26 ONE DESIGN

SECTION VII: FUELING

When preparing to take on fuel, the following safety precautions should be followed at all times:

1. Approach the fueling dock at a reasonable speed to eliminate waves and insure control of your boat. Have consideration for others who may be taking on fuel and provisions.
2. Properly secure boat to dock using bow, stern and spring lines.
3. DO NOT SMOKE.
4. Remove fuel tank from boat for filling.
5. Shut off equipment, stove heater, radios, lights, etc.
6. If practicable, all personnel not involved in fueling should leave the immediate area.
7. Keep fire extinguisher handy.
8. Remove fill fitting as required by the type of tank being used, and determine fuel requirements. DO NOT USE ANY IMPLEMENTS TO REMOVE THE FILL THAT MIGHT CAUSE A SPARK.
9. Place the nozzle of the fuel hose in the fill pipe. Keep it in contact with the rim to avoid a static electrical charge.

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10. Fill slowly. DO NOT OVERFILL. Marine fuels expand with an increase in temperature. Therefore, fill up to approximately 95% capacity.
11. If you cannot see the gasoline pump, ask the attendant or a crew member to call out the gallonage.
12. After fueling, replace fill fitting.
13. Return tank to boat and secure in place.
14. Wash up any spillage that might occur when hooking up the tank. Go below and check for fumes. IF EITHER FUMES OR LIQUID GASOLINE ARE PRESENT, CORRECT SITUATION BEFORE PROCEEDING.
15. Open all hatches and ports to facilitate ventilation.
16. Only after you are totally satisfied that no potentially dangerous condition exists, leave the fuel dock. Be considerate of your fellow yachtsmen.
17. In the event of serious spillage, STOP FUELING IMMEDIATELY. Replace fill cap, notify attendant so he may warn others and wash down thoroughly until all traces of fumes or fuel have disappeared.
18. Do not fuel during electrical storms.