## **Basic Kayak Safety Gear Checklist**

## (Courtesy of Eastern Mountain Sports, Eatontown, NJ (732-460-0188)

One of the most important things to take with you on a kayak outing is a buddy or partner, but when that's not possible, let someone know your plans such as what body of water you'll be in, where you will launch, and how long you expect to be out.

PFD (portable flotation device)	Stolquist \$99.95
Safety Whistle	NRS Wet/Dry Whistle \$3.95
Paddle leash	NRS \$19.95
Throw Bag with Rope	Seals \$39.95
Signal Mirror	UST Marine \$12.95
Safety/Emergency Light	UST Marine Rescue Light \$24.95
Reflective tape	ACR Tape \$21.00
Dry bag or box for Phone	Aquapac \$20.00
Headlamp	Petzl Tikka Plus \$39.95
Bilge Pump (for sit in)	Aquabound Bilgemaster \$34.95
Bailing Sponge	Seal Line \$9.95
Dry Bag	Sea to Summit 13L Lightweight \$17.95

*Items in bold are required by law, even in a kayak, the rest add extra elements of safety and/or comfort*