

VHF Distress Call: MAYDAY Tune to Channel 16 Say the below slowly

MAYDAY. MAYDAY. THIS IS
[vessel name & callsign
OUR POSITION IS [Buoy no. or GPS]
THE PROBLEM IS [Describe what happened.]
I REQUIRE [Describe the assistance you require.]
THERE ARE [number] PEOPLE ON BOARD.
THEY ARE [OK / INJURED / OVERBOARD]
WE ARE A [POWER / SAIL] BOAT, [size], [colours]
OVER.

Release the button and listen for a reply.
Repeat every 60 seconds until you get an answer.