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VHF RADIO TIPS

Your VHF radio is one of the most important tools aboard your boat. Here are some simple tips to ensure that it is operating at its best when it comes time to use it. With your radio on, make sure that your volume is set loud enough to be heard while underway. Wind and engine noise can dramatically impair your ability to hear your radio, and if you only test your radio while your boat is stationary, it's something that's surprisingly easy to miss. Next, you should make sure that your radio's squelch is adjusted properly. To do this, turn the respective knob until you hear static, then dial it back just until the static stops. Lastly, make sure your antenna is elevated and unobstructed. It's the simplest tip on this list, but it has one of the greatest impacts on your transmissions.

Hail Larsen Marine for slip assignment on Channel 16.

	VHF RADIO HAILING SCRIPT
Incoming Vessel:	Larsen Marine, Larsen Marine, Larsen Marine, this is [Boat Name].
Larsen Marine:	This is Larsen Marine, please switch to Channel 9. Copy?
Incoming Vessel:	Copy that, switching to Channel 9.
Larsen Marine:	Vessel hailing Larsen Marine, go ahead.
Incoming Vessel:	This is vessel [Boat Name]. Requesting a slip assignment.
Larsen Marine:	Please state the length, type, and ETA of your vessel.
Incoming Vessel:	We are a [Length in Feet] [Powerboat or Sailboat], and we are [Minutes] away from your harbor.
Larsen Marine:	Thank you. Please standby.
Incoming Vessel:	Standing by.
Larsen Marine:	Vessel hailing Larsen Marine, please go to [Slip Number], [Port or Starboard] side tie up. Copy?
Incoming Vessel:	Copy that, heading to [Slip Number], [Port or Starboard] side tie up.
Larsen Marine:	Larsen Marine switching back to Channel 16.