



Grounding

**Step
by
Step**
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1. INSTANT ACTIONS AND SITUATION ASSESSMENT

Make sure there are no men overboard,
rescue if any

Find out the count of injured people and the
nature of their injuries

Instruct crew to wear life jackets (if not on yet)

Instruct crew to help each other and to give first
aid to possibly injured people

Consider emergency anchoring or driving the
boat to shore or to shallows

Call for 112 as soon as possible (In Finland also
0294 1000 for sea rescue or Trossi marine service)

2. DAMAGE CONTROL

Check the boat/hull for leaks

Check that the bilge pump is functional, prepare
for manual pumping when needed

Block the found leaks when possible, use e.g.
wooden plugs (from inside) and sail, canvas or
tent (from outside) if any on board

Determine the possibility of sinking and the
need for abandoning the boat

Use distress flare or distress smoke signal to
make yourselves more visible for the rescue

When possible minimize the environmental
damages (oil/fuel spills etc.)