

ABANDONED, DERELICT and AT-RISK VESSELS

A derelict vessel is one that is already abandoned, either semi or fully submerged or crashed ashore. At-Risk vessels are in deteriorating condition but are still afloat. Abandoned, derelict and at-risk vessels damage the environment, threaten boater safety, and cost taxpayers millions of dollars each year in removal and disposal costs.

HAZARD TO NAVIGATION

LEAKING OIL

DAMAGE TO HABITAT

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IT IS ILLEGAL in Florida to anchor or moor a vessel at risk of becoming derelict in State waters. Under Florida law, a vessel may be defined as **“AT-RISK”** if it:

Is taking on water.



Spaces designed to be enclosed are open to the elements.



Has broken loose or in danger of breaking loose from its anchor.



Is left or stored aground unattended.



Is listing due to water intrusion.



Does not have an effective means of propulsion for safe navigation.



To report an abandoned, derelict or at-risk vessel, call **DERM** at **305-372-6955**, or submit online: www.tinyurl.com/baywatch305.