

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP – MEASUREMENT PROCEDURES

All boats will be weighed but where rigs, sails and hulls have been previously checked and competitors are sure their boat and equipment comply with Class Rules, Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, there will be no compulsory formal measurement.

Competitors will therefore be responsible for ensuring their boat and equipment comply.

Spot checks will be carried out during the Regatta. Penalties may apply if equipment is found not to comply.

Full measurement will be available during the official measurement times should a Competitor wish to have anything checked. However, where a competitor is not sure or comfortable checking their own equipment they should be encouraged to enlist help from knowledgeable fellow competitors in the boat park or before boats are shipped to the event.

THE MEASUREMENT PROCESS

WEIGHING

ALL competitors must present their boat and equipment to the measurement tent during the times stipulated in the Sailing Instructions to check the sailing weight complies with the Class Rules.

MAST, BOOM, SPINAKER POLES, RUDDER, AND CENTREBOARD.

Competitors will be provided with 6 regatta stickers which they must put on equipment they plan to use for the regatta as follows.

1. 1 only Mast
2. 1 only Boom
3. 1 or 2 two spinnaker poles
4. 1 only Centre Board
5. 1 only Rudder

Competitors may only race in the World Championship with the equipment that has the regatta sticker.

SAILS. Sails that competitors plan to use during the World Championship must be stamped with the Regatta Stamp. Two of each sail may be presented for stamping. Only stamped sails may be used during the World Championship. Sails should be presented for stamping during the measurement times stipulated in the Sailing Instructions

By placing the Regatta sticker on an item of equipment or having a sail stamped, competitors are confirming that item of equipment complies with the Class Rules.

SAFETY EQUIPMENT Competitors must ensure they have on board at all times

- A tow line of at least 10 metres in length and 6mm in diameter;
- A tow eye at the front of the boat to run the tow rope through;
- A paddle with a minimum blade area of 250mmx125mm and minimum length of 750mm;
- An approved personal flotation device (to the Australian Standard or equivalent International Standard) for each crew member and to be worn at all times while afloat.

SUBSTITUTION OF EQUIPMENT.

Substitution of equipment will not be allowed except as provided for in SI 18.2

MEASUREMENT CHECKS DURING THE REGATTA.

A boat or its equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the Class Rules, NOR and Sailing Instructions.

Spot Checks may be carried out after racing each day.

Boats finishing in predetermined positions in the last race of the day may be selected for measurement checks when they return to the boat park. These finishing positions and the items to be checked will be selected in advance by the Jury.

Boats, or equipment found not to comply with Class Rules, the NOR or the SIs may be penalised or disqualified from the most recent race.

Consequences of a boat or item of equipment found not to comply in a Spot Check.

If a measurement is found to be wrong, it will be referred to the Technical Committee. Where the quantum of the measurement is small and deemed to be non-material, the Competitor will be required to fix the item in question before the next race and there will be no penalty.

Where a required Band of contrasting colour is found to be missing or in the wrong place the Competitor will be required to fix the Band in question before the next race and there will be no penalty. If that Competitor is subsequently found to have that or any other Band wrong (a second offence), the Technical Committee will Protest that boat for a breach of the Class Rules. The Penalty if the Jury find there is a breach of the Rules will be a DSQ in the most recent race.

If an item of Safety Equipment is found to not have been on board during the day's racing, the Technical Committee will Protest that boat for a breach of the SIs. The Penalty if the Jury find there is a breach of SI (or NOR) will be a 5 point scoring penalty for a first offence and a DSQ in the most recent race for a subsequent offence.

Where a sail used racing is found not to have a Regatta Stamp or a piece of equipment is found not to have the Regatta Sticker, the Technical Committee will Protest that boat for a breach of Class Rules. The Penalty if the Jury find there is a breach of Class Rules will be a disqualification from the last race sailed.

ITEMS THAT MIGHT BE SPOT CHECKED.

1. Safety Equipment
2. Stickers on all equipment used
3. Stamps on Sails used
4. Full Mast, Boom and pole measurements
5. Full Sail Measurement
6. Centreboard is fully retractable into the Centreboard case. (Class Rule No 6.2)
7. Contrasting coloured Bands (See rule below)
8. All safety Equipment on board and as per the NOR

THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

The Technical Committee will be appointed by the International Class Association.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION – EXTRACTS FROM CLASS RULES TO ASSIST COMPETITORS

Contrasting Bands on Masts

Limit marks not less than 10mm in width shall be placed round the mast at the following three positions measured with the mast standing perpendicular to the baseline.

- Deck limit mark: upper edge level with the top of the deck. - tolerance 1 mm (mast datum point).
- Lower limit mark: upper edge not less than 381mm above the mast datum point (lower point).¹
- Upper limit mark: lower edge not more than 6858mm above the mast datum point (upper point).
- The top point of the mast spar shall be not more than 7011mm above the mast datum point.

Contrasting Bands on Booms

An outer limit mark not less than 10mm in width shall be placed around the boom spar. The outer point distance shall not exceed 2858mm.

Centreboard

The centreboard shall fit within the centreboard case not extending below the bottom of the hull when fully raised. The trailing edge may project above the centreboard case top when in the raised or partly raised position. No part of the leading edge which is more than 300mm from the tip and is capable of protruding below the hull shall be capable of being raised more than 200mm above the bottom of the hull. No part of the centreboard shall be capable of protruding more than 1450mm below the hull.

¹The mast must be perpendicular in the boat for this to be measure properly.
IT CANNOT BE DONE PROPERLY WITH THE SIDE STAYS ATTACHED.