

General

1. The fundamental principle is that it is the responsibility of a boat's owner and of any other person in charge of a boat (typically a borrower of a boat) to ensure that the boat complies with the class rules (Racing Rule 78.1).

2. The class rules are available on the **International Cadet Class website**; as are the measurement plans and measurement forms (see links above). Please check that you are using the current version. There are usually some class rule changes which take effect from 1st March in each year. These will probably first become available on the ICC website, but we will try to keep this website as up to date as possible.

Useful Link

- [Cadet Rules](#)

3. Each boat must have a certificate, which must be kept up to date with an annual buoyancy test and with new sail endorsements. Certain components are required to have measurement stickers on them which indicate that they have been checked by an appropriately qualified measurer.

4. If your boat has been used recently at major Cadet events it should only be things which have been altered or that are new that are likely to give any problems.

5. Many clubs organize annual sessions for measurement, usually prior to the season's first open event. Boat owners should contact their squadron captains for further information.

6. Under the rules there are only two classes of measurement items: (1) buoyancy tests which can be conducted by a Squadron Captain, a Club appointed measurer or an Official Cadet Class measurer and (2) everything else, which must be conducted by an Official Cadet Class measurer.

7. In the U.K. Official Cadet Class Measurers are those persons who are recognized by the UKNCCA as measurers for the components concerned. They are categorized as follows:

A Those recognized for the purpose of measuring centerboards, rudders, tillers, tiller extensions and spars (i.e. the items that need stickers) and applying the stickers.

B Those recognized for the purpose of measuring sails.

C Those recognized for the purpose of weighing hulls.

D Those (few) recognized for the purpose of measuring hulls.

8. The persons listed from time to time on the list kept by the UKNCCA National Measurer are recognized by the UKNCCA as Official Cadet Class Measurers in the specified categories. Please contact the Class Measurer for details.

9. Under Class Rule A.14.3 a measurement certificate becomes invalid upon:

(a) The date of its expiration (31st December in the Northern Hemisphere).

(b) Change of ownership.

(c) Any alteration or repair to items required to be measured by the class measurement form, other than permitted routine maintenance.

(d) Any alteration to corrector weights.

See Class Rules A.15 as to what to do when re-certification is required.

10. All new boats must be properly measured by an appropriately qualified measurer before a certificate is issued – see Class Rule 13 for details.

11. If you are thinking of altering, repairing or re-building a wooden Cadet (other than in respect of minor collision damage) please contact the National Measurer (Martin Pearson) or ask your proposed builder to do so BEFORE you start work so that if possible he can express a view as to whether what is proposed is likely to comply with the Class Rules before significant expenditure is incurred.

12. It is important that boats are measured in advance of competition. This will allow time to correct any errors and prevent disqualification or refusal of entry.

13. Please do not expect measurers to be available to measure your equipment at UKNCCA events such as the Inlands, Indicators or the Nationals. No doubt any measurers there will help you if they can, but unless you have organized it with them beforehand they will probably have other priorities. The UKNCCA organized measurement which takes place at these events is aimed at checking items which should already have been measured.

14. If, after reading the rules, you are in doubt about what needs to be done to your boat in the way of measurement; your first enquiry should be of your squadron captain. If he or she cannot help, please try one of the listed measurers or the National Measurer (Martin Pearson).

15. This document is intended as a guide to measurement. Nothing contained in this document constitutes a rule or a variation of the rules. Please refer to the Official documents for the precise wording.