

DETERMINING THE LENGTH OF YOUR VESSEL

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REGISTRATION

Determining the length of your vessel is important when getting a registration, BOATCODE, mooring or berth.

How is the vessel registration fee determined?

NSW Maritime determines your annual registration fee by the length of your vessel, as measured in the manner described below. The registration fee structure starts from a base fee for vessels which are up to 3.0m in length. From this base fee, subsequent categories are based on half metre increments in vessel length and the fee increases for each category.

How is vessel length measured?

The hull length should be measured from the point of the bow to the transom, excluding bow sprits, outboard motors and other appendages.

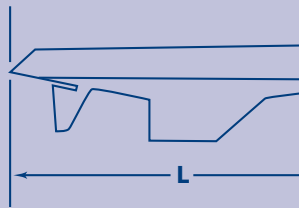
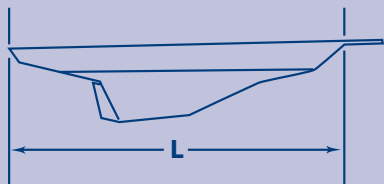
How can I verify the length of my vessel?

If you believe that NSW Maritime's records regarding the length of your vessel are incorrect, you can have the length of your vessel measured by an authorised BOATCODE agent. Remember though, the length of your vessel would need to vary sufficiently to put it into another category, for your fee to change.

It is also important to note that the measurement made during the BOATCODE process is the official length which NSW Maritime will use for its records.



THE PICTURES BELOW ARE TO HELP YOU



BOATCODE

What is BOATCODE?

BOATCODE is a hull numbering system that deters vessel theft and makes stolen vessels easier to trace.

BOATCODE provides security for buyers and vessel owners by allowing REVS to register financially encumbered vessels. A brochure explaining the BOATCODE system is available on request.

How does the system operate?

If you choose to participate in the BOATCODE system, your vessel will be measured and issued with a hull identification number (HIN). This number is unique to your vessel and is registered with NSW Maritime and with REVS operated by the Department of Fair Trading.

What are the advantages of BOATCODE?

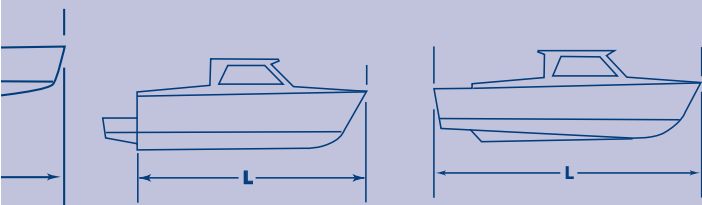
In addition to identifying your vessel and verifying its length, the BOATCODE system offers advantages that include:

- deterring vessel theft;
- making stolen vessels easier to identify;
- providing security for both vessel owners and buyers of second-hand vessels;
- warning buyers if second-hand vessels are financially encumbered or stolen, by contacting REVS;
- providing security for finance and insurance companies.

How can I participate in the BOATCODE system?

To participate in the BOATCODE system you must make an appointment to take your vessel to a registered BOATCODE agent. The agent will check your identity and proof of ownership, measure your vessel, affix a HIN and provide you with a HIN Certificate. However, in order to have the BOATCODE number linked to your registration number, you must lodge your pink copy of the HIN Certificate, together with your Certificate of Registration at any NSW Maritime Operations Centre.

HOW TO MEASURE THE LENGTH OF A VESSEL



Is there a cost involved?

A fee is payable to the BOATCODE agent. This fee covers the cost of measuring the vessel length, affixing HIN plates and issuing the certificate.

What if my vessel is already Boatcoded?

If your vessel has been Boatcoded and you believe that the length of your vessel has been measured incorrectly, you must have your vessel remeasured by a BOATCODE agent. A fee is payable for this service.

How may I find out more information?

Further information about the BOATCODE system, BOATCODE agent locations or determining the length of your vessel may be obtained by contacting the NSW Maritime Info Line or visit www.maritime.nsw.gov.au

If you require a REVS check, please call 13 32 20 between the hours of 9:00am – 5:00pm, 7 days a week.

You will need to provide REVS with the vessel registration number, Hull Identification Number (HIN) and engine serial numbers.

Mooring or berth?

When applying for a mooring you need to use the same method for determining length as for BOATCODE.

On a berth, however, you will need to measure the length overall including any projections for eg. bow sprits, landing platforms and engines.

Info Line
13 12 56
(within NSW)

For all other areas please call 9563 8557
(Open 7 days a week 8.30am to 4.30pm)