

MOCRA 2006 RATING RULE

5.4 Change of ownership and/or any changes in sail number or rated dimensions of the boat will automatically invalidate the certificate. Attention is drawn RRS 78, Compliance with Class Rules; Certificates.

5.5 When the rating authority has reasonable evidence that a boat does not conform to her certificate, or that there has been a breach of the Rules, the certificate may be withdrawn and the owner shall be informed in writing. When the rating authority becomes aware that a certificate has been invalidated while the boat is under the jurisdiction of a race committee, the matter shall be reported to the race committee.

5.6 Certificates will be valid on payment of the appropriate fee for the current calendar year only.

5.7 Notice of Race may specify the last date that a new rating certificate may be changed.

6.0 Units of Measurement

6.1 Measurements shall be recorded in units of the metric system. Sail measurements shall be taken in metres to two decimal places, all other linear measurements shall be in metres to three decimal places. Weight shall be taken to the nearest kilogram.

7.0 General

7.1 The MOCRA rating is calculated as a Time Corrector (TCF) to three places of decimals. Corrected times shall be calculated from this rating to an accuracy of the nearest second.

7.2 The MOCRA Racing Committee may withdraw or suspend a boat's certificate without compensation when there has been a gross breach of the Rules or of good manners or sportsmanship.

8.0 Measurement and Compliance

8.1 Measurement data shall be obtained by direct measurement or derived from another rating certificate.

8.2 Sails shall be measured according to the current ISAF Equipment Rules of Sailing and as detailed in this rule..

8.3 The accuracy of measurements supplied shall be the owner's responsibility. A measurement service is available on application to the MOCRA.

8.4 It is a breach of these Rules for any owner or individual to intentionally supply false information. Attention is drawn to RRS 69, Allegations of Gross Misconduct.

8.5 The MOCRA Racing Committee will use the supplied data as a basis for rating but reserves the right to overrule specific data or to standardise the dimensions of a class of production boats.

8.6 MOCRA may require an owner to submit his boat for measurement at any time. The boat will be re-rated by MOCRA based on the new measurement data.

9.0 Rating Review

9.1 An owner may request review of the rating of his own boat by submitting a completed review application form, available from MOCRA, together with the appropriate fee to MOCRA.

9.2 Anyone who has a valid interest in a boat's certificate may also request a rating review from the rating authority, by submitting a completed application form together with the appropriate fee to the rating authority.

9.3 Review shall be based on all the available evidence. Where necessary, rated data shall be re-taken by an authorised measurer. The decision of the MOCRA Racing Committee shall be final.

9.4 For series produced boats, the rated data may have been standardised by the rating authority. Standard data shall not be subject to third party review or protest. But a rating review may be requested by the manufacturer or the class association of a series produced boat. Modifications to standard data shall be declared by the owner.

9.5 Where the TCF is reviewed by the rating authority and found to be not more than 0.01 greater than before, the contested rating shall be valid up to the date of review.

9.6 Where the TCF is reviewed and found to be more than 0.01 greater than before, the contested certificate will be reviewed by the MOCRA Racing Committee which may recommend that the contested certificate is invalid from the date of issue..

9.7 In either case, the certificate becomes invalid if any re-measurement favours the boat and differs from the certificate by more than is considered acceptable or if specific detail is clearly in error.

9.8 Following review and re-measurement, a new certificate may be issued which may be back-dated to the date that any erroneous data was supplied.

10.0 Rating Protests

10.1 As permitted by the RRS Part 5, a rating protest may be submitted to a protest committee. A protest committee may refer the matter to the rating authority with the appropriate fee.

10.2 In the event of protest, the boat's rated data may be re-taken by an authorised measurer.

10.3 Subject to the RRS, the findings of a protest shall determine which party shall pay measurement and rating costs.

11.0 RRS 51 Moving Ballast As an exception to RRS 51, water ballast is permitted.

12.0 Empty Weight

12.1 Empty Weight is the weight of the boat in the following dry condition:

12.1.1 Fully rigged with all spars (including spinnaker pole(s) if any), standing rigging, backstay, runners and checkstays, halyards, main sheets, and vang(s).

12.1.2 Main engine installed, or outboard engine aboard in stowed position.

12.1.3 Trampolines and netting.

12.1.4 Batteries and fitted berth cushions on board in their normal positions if carried while racing. The weight of these items shall be noted on the boat's certificate.

12.1.5 All permanent fixtures and fittings and items of accommodation whether detachable or not, including washboards, bunk and floorboards and saloon table (if fitted for racing) on board in their normal positions.

12.1.6 Sails, not more than 1 mainsail, 1 jib, 1 reachers (only if rated), 1 spinnaker and 1 storm jib.

12.1.7 Headsail and spinnaker sheets.

12.1.8 Anchors, chains, warps, mooring lines.

12.1.9 Safety equipment

12.1.10 Cooking and catering utensils SEE RULE 22.4

12.1.11 fenders

12.1.12 All above items shall be noted on certificate.

12.2 The following items shall not be on board for weighing:

12.2.1 Spare standing and running rigging.

12.2.2 Fuel, water and the contents of any other tanks. Spare gas bottles shall be removed.

12.2.3 Food.

12.2.4 Clothing, bedding and personal effects.

12.2.5 Tools and spare parts.

12.2.6 Loose gear.

12.2.7 Crew.

12.3 When for practical reasons it is not possible to remove all items and equipment (e.g. fuel), it is acceptable to deduct the weight of these from the gross weight. The rating authority reserves the right to refuse such data when inadequate detail is supplied.

12.4 The rating authority will calculate the empty weight of an unweighed boat based on information contained on another rating certificate, designer data or from any other source.

12.5 In the absence of other information, empty weight may be calculated by deduction of the items detailed by Rule 12.2 from a boat's sailing displacement.