

Small Ship Register - Measuring the Ship

In most cases the owners may measure the overall length of the ship themselves (see application form question 4). 'Overall length' is the distance between the foreside of the foremost fixed permanent structure and the aftside of the aftermost fixed permanent structure of the ship. The diagrams below show between which points on most ships the measurement should be made. On multi-hulled craft the longest hull should be measured. If in difficulty, or for advice on measuring craft of a novel design please contact the Guernsey Registrar.

Where the ship is found to be 24 metres or a little more in length, it may still qualify. In this case you must have the statement of length at the end of the application form signed by a qualified surveyor stating that the ship is less than 24 metres in length when measured in accordance with the formula contained in the Merchant Shipping (Bailiwick of Guernsey)(Tonnage) Regulations 2009.

