

International Moth Class Association



2014 World Championship Measurement Process

It has been brought to my attention that over 30 sails and 15 hulls will arrive at the World Championships **without having completed Fundamental Measurement as required by ISAF and Moth class rules**. This would not be allowed at any other ISAF Class World Championships, as the many entrants with previous ISAF class experience would well know.

This is a significant concern for the UK fleet; volunteer class measurers would be spending their valuable (& limited) time measuring equipment instead of focusing on race preparation for the event. **It is the individual sailors responsibility under both ISAF & Moth rules to have this done prior to arriving at an event.**

All entrants should therefore note:

- *Fundamental Measurement* is the process when a boat, sail or spar is first measured for compliance with a class rule. It is not a process that can be completed as part of on-site registration at an ISAF sanctioned World Championship.
- What is provided for at all ISAF Class World Championship is *certification control* where a check is conducted to ensure the boat still remains within class rules.
- Whilst the UK Moth Association will endeavour to arrange for fundamental measurement for boats that show up without it, all sailors are reminded that International Moth Class Rule 3.1 states: ***“No boat is permitted to race unless it has a valid measurement certificate issued by the national authority or its delegated representative (National Association).”***
- If there are not enough measurers willing to give their time to fundamentally measure your boat or sail, and/or if your measurement form is not signed/stamped by your national association, then you will either not be allowed to race or subject to a measurement protest during the event which could lead to disqualification.

Proposed Fundamental Measurement timing (subject to UK measurers volunteering)

Saturday 12th July	14:30 - 16:30
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Sunday 13th July	16:00 - 18:00
Monday 14th July	16:00 - 18:00
Tuesday 15th July	14:30- 16:30
Friday 18th July	14:00- 16:00

Entrants requiring hull and/or sail *fundamental measurement* should register for their preferred fundamental measurement slot by emailing mothworlds@blueteq.co.uk as soon as possible. **The available slots will be assigned on a first booked, first allocated basis.**

The cost per sail measured is 15GBP per sail and 10GBP per boat/mast/foil combination. This shall be paid in cash to the measurer at the time of measurement.

Should you miss booking a slot, or fail to show up at the allocated time; you will need to make your own arrangements with other class measurers that may be attending the event. The UK class measurers will not provide this service outside the times listed above.

Certification Control

Similar to the 2013 World Championship, presentation of equipment for *certification control* will not be required prior to the commencement of racing. However, all sailors **shall submit a hard copy of their completed measurement certificate**, including Part 3 certificates for each sail, when completing registration. The Race Office will hold these for the duration of the event.

The appointed ISAF Measurer will conduct random measurement checks in the boatpark and on-water, comparing equipment listed in the supplied measurement certificates with that being used. This includes checking that sails have been signed by a measurer and that the sail has the correct size and placement of sail numbers & country code (a common issue that entrants should check prior to racing).

Entrants that have not presented their measurement certificates to the Race office, or are found to be using equipment for which a measurement certificate has not been supplied (i.e. additional sails) will be protested by the ISAF Measurers as is mandated by the Racing Rules of Sailing. This may lead to disqualification from one or more races.

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