

# Marine Information Bulletin

## Measuring a ship for insurance requirements

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### Purpose

This marine information bulletin provides for ship owners to ensure that they measure their ship in accordance with the *Transport Operations (Marine Pollution) Regulation 2018* (TOMPR). This legislation requires all ships over 15m (for example 15.01m) in length overall\* to have enough insurance to pay for potential pollution clean-up, salvage and wreck removal.

### How do I measure for TOMPR?

To ensure that you as the ship owner are covered for your insurance requirements you must know how long your ship is, when it is measured using the measuring method as prescribed in the legislation. Below is an extract of the legislation and an image that outlines the length overall and what is and is not included for this measurement.

The 'length overall' does not include any swim platforms or any anchor rollers or bowsprits.

### Legislation

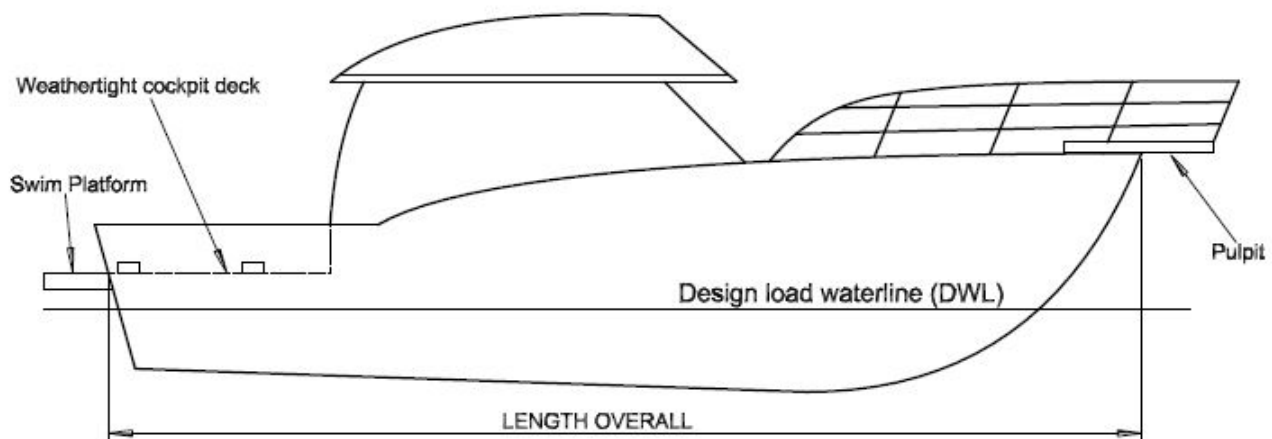
\*Extract from *Transport Operations (Marine Pollution) Act 1995* Part 1 Preliminary:

#### 7a Meaning of length overall

(1) The *length overall* of a ship is the distance in the fore and aft line from the foremost part of the hull of the ship to the aftermost part of the hull of the ship taken at the upper weather tight deck or, for an open ship, at the height of the gunwale.

(2) However, the *length overall* of the ship does not include the length of appendages to the hull.

For example, a bowsprit or boarding platform is not taken into account when measuring the length overall of a ship.



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