

US Sailing ORCi Certificate Policy

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1. OVERVIEW

This policy sets rules for the measurement data needed to receive various levels of ORC certificates. Additionally, it covers what measurement data and resulting calculated values will be printed on the certificate based on the level of certificate.

2. PURPOSE

US Sailing's Offshore Office believes in continuing to align with ORC and its policies set forth for administering the ORC Rating Rule. This change will put the USA in alignment with ORC policy regarding how the two levels of the rule (ORC Club and ORCi) are intended to be used.

3. RESPONSIBILITY

It shall be the responsibility of the owner of a boat that is fully measured (freeboards and inclines), to contact the US Sailing Offshore Office and notify them of which level of certificate they wish to receive.

It shall be the responsibility of the US Sailing Offshore Office team to inform owners on the data that will be displayed on their rating certificate and issue the final rating certificate.

4. POLICY

For 2025, boats which have undergone full measurement, in particular freeboard and stability measurements, and wish to have that data displayed on their rating certificate must possess an ORCi certificate.

For boats which are not fully measured and wish to have an ORC Club certificate, nothing will change, they may retain their ORC Club certificates. All recorded measurement data will still reside in the data file and be used for the rating, but some may not appear on the certificate depending on the certificate level.

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