

Dear Designer,

I am pleased that you are considering entering the Concept Boat 2006 Competition. These notes are intended to assist you in the preparation of your entry so that the Judges will see it as you intended. I have also included a few words about the scope and theme of the competition.

What should the design be?

In this competition the focus is on 'tow a boat' small craft designs, not a necessarily a new method of construction or a new material although these elements might be part of the overall design.

It is very important that you study the 'WHAT IS CONCEPT BOAT 2006' document and detail the benefits and features of your design in the 1000 word description of the craft, possibly with a few words highlighting these in the 'intended purpose' box on the Entry Form.

How detailed should the entry be?

While the Terms place no limit on the additional drawings and explanatory notes that may be included with the entry the number of sheets and amount of text for the actual entry on which the final decisions are taken is limited.

If your entry is for the 'Concept and Design' category, we will require information about the technical aspects of your design, including specification of towing regulations, stability and powering. However, we do not require detailed explanations of all structure and stability calculations, full material schedules, individual weights etc. Summaries will be sufficient for example:

Lightweight mass.	0000
Fuel & water	000
? persons @ 75kg	000
Stores	000
Fully loaded mass	0000

A statement or a short paragraph outlining your reasoning, concluding that your entry has adequate stability or will achieve your predicted speed with the specified

power should be all that is necessary for most entries based on a conventional hull shape or configuration.

The actual number of sheets will depend on the size and complexity of the entry, but the total space needed for all the written text and drawings should not exceed the equivalent of 15 x A4 (297 x 210mm) single-sided pages.

In previous Concept Boat Competitions some very well presented large and complex award winning designs only needed 10 x A4 sheets and some of the smaller simple designs only used two or three sheets of A3 (297 x 420mm).

How should the entry be laid out?

The judges are given copies of every entry on A4 sheets. Therefore your entry will be best displayed if all sheets, both text and drawings, are A4 with a margin of no less than 10mm.

With complex drawings where it is not possible to show all necessary details on an A4 sheet it should be possible to use adjoining A4 sheets to give an A3 landscape format on facing pages of your entry.

It is useful for us if there is one profile or 3D image of your entry on a single A4 sheet; other sketches or images can often be put on the same sheet to save space.

What about coloured drawings and text?

For paper entries, particularly those that are handwritten, please ensure that black and not blue ink is used and that the colours on drawings and illustrations will copy well.

If you are sending your entry in an electronic format please do check that you are following the website instructions.

What Else?

If you have any other queries please contact Concept Boat by email, fax or phone.

Do look at www.conceptboat.com as you will see how the Concept Boat 2005 short listed entries have been displayed. The entrants provided some of these images, most were developed by the Competition Organisers.

I do hope you find these notes useful and good luck in the competition.

With best wishes



Chairman of the Judging panel