WORLD SAILING APPROVED SERIES PRODUCTION BOARDS

MEASUREMENT OF BOARD STIFFNESS

The Board Registration Form refers to the `stiffness' of the board measured in accordance with the World Sailing measurement procedure. This procedure is as follows:

- 1. The board should be supported on the underside at two sections 10% of the board length (I) from each end of the board.
- 2. The deflection (d) of the board shall be measured on the under body of the board on the centreline at the **mid-section** with 40kg of weight placed on the upper surface of the board with its centre of gravity immediately above the measurement point.
- 3. The 'stiffness' of the board shall be determined from the equation:

Stiffness =
$$\frac{d}{l} \times 1000$$
 (d and l in mm)

to one point of decimal (ie 1.6).

Notes

- (i) Typical deflection on boards tested to date are 5mm to 8mm. A 10mm dial gauge calibrated to divisions of 0.01mm is suitable for this range.
- (ii) The two supports should be constructed of aluminium or other metal.