

HOW TO MEASURE YOUR BOAT FOR FENDERS

Regarding sizing fenders for your boat... a lot of different models were re- made by different manufactures, and also some boats may have been refinished and the fender cleats may have been re-located. So to be on the safe side I suggest you go by the following notes to determine the size of fender(s) that would best fit your boat. **Label and record measurements for each fender!**

NOTE: - Fender Diameter: My usual fenders are 3.5" and a 4.5" diameter fender; choose the one that does the best job of protecting your boat from your dock. **Please note! My 3.5" fenders are closer to 4.0" than they are to 3.5" and my 4.5" fenders are closer to 5.0" than they are to 4.5"!!** "Also"... ensure the diameter of the fender extends beyond the distance that the gunnel extends out beyond the hull and also the fender diameter should extend out beyond the splash rail and/or rub rail.

To determine the lanyard length: Whether or not it is a straight lanyard or a looped lanyard, it is measured by fastening a piece of small rope to the cleat as you normally would...then pull the rope(s), over the gunnel to a point where you figure the center of the top of the fender should start. Pitch the single strand.."for a single rope lanyard", or the two strands "for a looped lanyard". Still holding the rope/ropes where you pinched them off, remove the rope from the cleat, straighten the loop or the single strand out and give me the measurement from the point where you have the rope or ropes pinched.... to the end of the single rope or the end of the loop. This measurement will be your "lanyard length".

To determine the fender length: Fasten a piece of rope to your cleat as mentioned above. Pinch off this rope where you determined the length of the lanyard should be. Holding the pinched lanyard out where you figure the center of the top of the fender would be. Measure straight down to where you figure the fender should end. Be sure to stay 2" above the normal water level or the splash/rub rail if applicable and stay 3" three inches up, if you want pull- up rings on the fender(s). This measurement will be your "fender length".

If your boat requires curved fenders as seen on the Greavette Streamliners, please contact me directly for information on how to measure for "curved fenders". I will work directly with you in this case, if needed.

If you require further assistance or wish to talk with me directly please notify me and I will phone you at your convenience.

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