



TAPE MEASURE

Use a steel or reinforced fiberglass measuring tape. If the tape measure end does not accept a halyard snap, lash it tightly to the tape measure with small line. Be sure to tie a separate pull down line to the halyard, don't rely on the measuring tape to pull the halyard back down.

MEASURING THE MAINSAIL

Attach the tape measure and separate pull down line to the main halyard. Pull the main halyard to the highest point so that the halyard shackle is hard against the halyard sheave.

Secure the halyard to prevent it slipping whilst taking measurements.

Stretch and tension allowances will be made from the max hoist and max foot measurements. You can additionally provide P (Luff) and E (Foot) measurements if known.

Write the measurements in the boxes below each point.:

Max Luff

MEASURE TO THE TACK
SHACKLE AT THE
GOOSENECK AT A 45
DEGREE ANGLE

Max Leech

LEECH MEASUREMENTS ARE
GENERALLY TAKEN WITH THE
BOOM AT 90 DEGREES TO THE
MAST. HOWEVER, IF YOU HAVE A
DODGER OR BIMINI, MEASURE TO
THE OUTHAUL CAR PIN OR CLEW
SHACKLE WITH THE BOOM IN ITS
NORMAL POSITION WHILST
SAILING



Retrieve the tape measure and halyard to the deck.

Secure the halyard.

Max Foot

MEASURE FROM THE BACK OF THE MAST TO THE OUTHAUL CAR PIN OR CLEW SHACKLE IN THE MAX AFT POSITION

Feeder Height

MEASURE FROM THE TACK SHACKLE TO THE START OF THE FEEDER TRACK ON THE MAST

Tack Set Back:

Reef Set Back:

Tack and Reef Set Back

FOR A FLOATING TACK SHACKLE, HOLD
THE SHACKLE AT 45 DEGREES AND
MEASURE FROM THE BEARING POINT
OF THE SHACKLE TO THE BACK OF THE
MAST. FOR TACK HORNS OR FIXED
SHACKLE, MEASURE FROM THE
BEARING POINT OF THE SAIL ON THE
FITTING TO THE BACK OF THE MAST.

ALSO INCLUDE A MEASUREMENT FROM
THE BACK OF THE MAST TO YOUR
REEF EYES AT 45 DEGREES

Backstay Position

MEASURE FROM WHERE
YOU ENDED YOUR MAX
FOOT MEASUREMENT
TO THE BACKSTAY

P Measurement

MEASURE FROM THE AFT OF THE MAST TO BACKSTAY AT MAX HOIST