

Policy for the Guild's fleet

As accepted by the Guild committee 18 August 2014¹

1.0 Guild objects

1.1 Guild objects are attached. Key words relevant to the fleet policy are:

- Wooden boats
- preservation
- Skills development
- Development of methods
- Recording
- Encourage use
- Discussion

2.0 Acceptance of vessel

2.1 Trailable (defined as requiring no special registration or transport arrangements) wooden boats (any condition) accepted where storage allows.

2.2 Boats that are not trailable or required to be kept in the water only accepted where (committee/membership) approves by majority vote

2.3 Preference is given to boats that display some uniqueness in terms of one or more of the following criteria:

- Rarity
- Design
- Materials used
- Construction method
- Condition
- Not currently represented in the fleet
- Of particular Tasmanian connection

3.0 Disposal of vessel

3.1 Boats accepted into the Guild fleet only on the understanding that any vessel accepted can be disposed of by any means as determined by the Guild committee. Any means includes:

- Sale
- Gift
- Broken up. If broken up, materials will be salvaged for reuse as 1st priority.

3.2 Prior to disposal of any vessel the Guild will record in its register details of the vessel, both physical and any known or speculated social/cultural history.

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4.0 Register of vessels

4.1 Matters for recording

- Unique Guild number
- Key dimensions
- Construction details
- Vessel history social/cultural
- Photos/line drawings

5.0 Restoration

5.1 Guild vessels may be restored. The level of restoration and processes for restoration to be determined by the Guild committee.

5.2 Levels of restoration

Level 1

Minimum to stabilize the vessel, record and store.

Level 2

Partial restoration, sufficient to preserve character. Extent of restoration to be determined by committee based on feasibility, resources (including protective storage), importance of vessel as a representative example and whether to be retained as part of permanent collection.

Level 3

Restoration to useable condition. Restoration to a useable on-water standard whilst retaining the key characteristics of the vessel.

Level 4

Restoration to standard that would represent the standard of the vessel when first launched.

6.0 Skills development

6.1 In determining the level of restoration the Guild will seek to skill members in the craft of boat building as used in the vessel's original construction.

6.2 Restoration process to be documented and members informed of progress and process.

7.0 Vessels stored but owned by others

7.1 As space and importance to the restoration of a vessel allows, the Guild committee may approve members' boats to be stored and worked on.

7.2 The owner of the vessel will carry full responsibility including public liability insurance to level set by the committee.

7.3 The Guild offers no responsibility for the protection of vessels not owned by the Guild.