This checklist can be used by a vessel builder and accredited marine surveyors to record the practical stability testing of a Standard Houseboat during initial survey. It is recommended that the completed report be retained by the surveyor for their records.

#### Vessel details

Vessel name Unique identifier

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Owner of vessel Builder of vessel

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Surveyor name Surveyor identification number

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Measured length *Lm* (metres) Vessel beam B (metres)

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Pontoon length (metres) Pontoon depth D (metres)

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1. **Pre-inclinin**g **checks**

Is the vessel of an appropriate configuration to undergo the proposed loading?  Yes  No

Is a safe means of measuring freeboards provided?  Yes  No

Is an inclinometer provided?  Yes  No

Please specify type

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Is the prevailing wind below 5 knots?  Yes  No

Is the water surface oscillating at less than 20mm from trough to peak?  Yes  No

Can the vessel be kept clear of the bottom throughout the test?  Yes  No

Can mooring lines be kept slack throughout the test?  Yes  No

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| Are the fuel tanks pressed?  Yes  No | | |
| Actual contents |  | Total capacity |
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| Are the FW tank(s) pressed?  Yes  No | | |
| Actual contents |  | Total capacity |
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| Are the BW Tank(s) pressed?  Yes  No | | |
| Actual contents |  | Total capacity |
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| Are the GW tank(s) pressed?  Yes  No | | |
| Actual contents |  | Total capacity |
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**Note**: Where a tank has not been pressed due to operational limitations, a mass equivalent to the missing contents is to be added in the same longitudinal position as the tank and as close as practicable to the vertical position of the tank in question.

1. **Required Deadweight**

Maximum number of persons proposed (P) Maximum Weight required (P x 80kg) Test weights provided (kg)

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Description of weights (e.g. Sand bags, personnel, water barrels etc)

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**Note:** Test weights may be personnel or masses. Where masses are used, they are to be located at a centre of gravity 1m above the deck. If using personnel for test weights, scales are to be provided in order to confirm each individual’s weight. Additional persons over and above the proposed complement (P) may be needed in order to achieve the required deadweight.

#### D. Upright freeboard

1. Have the test weights been located in the worst possible vertical position (e.g. upper deck)?  Yes  No
2. Is the vessel sitting between level trim and a maximum of 2 degrees by the stern?  Yes  No
3. Is the vessel sitting upright (zero heel)? (if not then re-distribute masses)  Yes  No

#### E. Freeboard measurement fwd.

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| Measure freeboard to the fore part of the hull at the top of deck (top of pontoon fwd. end) | | |
| Fwd. Freeboard: |  | mm |

#### F. Freeboard measurement aft

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| Measure freeboard to the aft part of the hull at the top of deck (top of pontoon aft end) | | |
| Aft Freeboard: |  | mm |

#### G. Minimum freeboard and reserve buoyancy

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| Pontoon Length (m) | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| Min F'bd to pontoon top  (mm) | 400 | 400 | 414 | 429 | 443 | 457 | 471 | 486 | 500 | 514 | 529 | 543 | 557 | 571 | 586 | 600 | 600 | 600 | 600 | 600 |

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| Average Freeboard = (Fwd. Freeboard + Aft Freeboard) ÷ 2 | Fave |  | mm |
| Required Freeboard as a function of pontoon length (from table above) | Freq |  | mm |
| Ratio of average freeboard to pontoon depth | Fave / D |  |  |

#### Note: If the freeboard is greater than 0.32D, the reserve buoyancy is deemed to be greater than the required 25%. This is valid for cylindrical, hexagonal and 5 sided pontoon.

#### H. Inclined freeboard / heel

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| Gradually crowd masses into the worse possible location for heel and trim (should excessive heel or trim be experienced the test is to be aborted and the deadweight decreased accordingly). | | |
| Minimum freeboard with forward crowding |  | mm |
| Heel angle with forward crowding |  | deg |
| Minimum freeboard with aft crowding |  | mm |
| Heel angle with aft crowding |  | deg |

#### Note: If masses were offset to heel the vessel upright for the upright freeboard measurement, they are to be moved in the opposite direction for the inclined freeboard. Crowding should be carried out in both the forward and aft directions respectively and the freeboards taken at each condition.

#### I. Compliance

Is the reserve buoyancy in the upright condition greater than 25% of the overall volume?  Yes  No

Is the average upright freeboard greater than the minimum required freeboard?  Yes  No

Is the inclined heel angle less than 7 degrees?  Yes  No

Is the inclined freeboard greater than 25% of the upright freeboard?  Yes  No