



Steve Hanlon is a registered examiner for the British Waterways Boat Safety Scheme.

Steve is also a fully qualified marine surveyor, with several years' experience in the boating industry. As the owner of Bredon Marina he works with all types of vessels on a daily basis. He has his own crane on site so lifting boats out for hull inspections is no problem.

Survey and test prices are based on location, boat size and type of inspection. Steve is happy to discuss your requirements and provide free, no-obligation advice.



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Boat safety tests

Boat Safety Scheme (BSS)

All boats afloat on inland waterways in the UK are legally required to hold a current Boat Safety Scheme certificate, as operated by British Waterways and the Environment Agency. The BSS test is the boating equivalent of the MOT for road vehicles.

BSS is designed to minimise the risk of fires or explosions on boats, by specifying a set of requirements that most boats must meet. The scheme also recommends a number of best practice measures which enhance the personal safety of those on board privately owned boats.

Certificates are valid for four years. You will need your certificate to buy your river licence and some insurers also require a copy.

The test will take place on the morning or afternoon arranged. You do not need to be there when it's carried out but you will need to make the keys available. If the test is being carried out anywhere other than Bredon Marina, please ensure you inform the proprietor as appropriate.

Marine surveys

General condition survey

This is also known as the 'walk through' survey, and gives a general summary of the overall condition of the vessel.

Sale and pre-purchase condition survey

Probably the most common survey, this gives the prospective buyer and seller complete confidence in the vessel's condition. To enable this survey to be carried out, the vessel will usually need to be lifted and allowed to dry out for a number of days.

Valuation survey

This survey will determine the value of the vessel based on open market conditions. Information will be sourced on similar local vessels, giving the owner complete confidence of the value of their boat.

Hull survey

As the name suggests, this explores the condition of the external hull, excluding internal electrical or mechanical systems.

Insurance survey

Recently, most insurance companies are likely to request a survey before they will offer insurance for your vessel. This would give the insurers the confidence to provide cover.

River trial survey

This survey is carried out to confirm that the craft being considered does perform under power as it is supposed to do.

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River Severn

from Worcester to Gloucester