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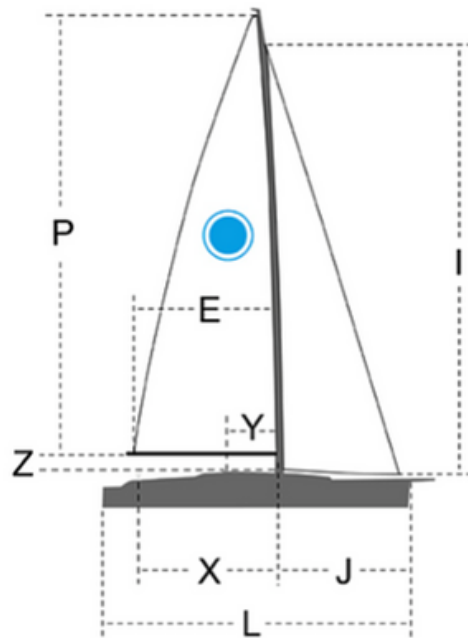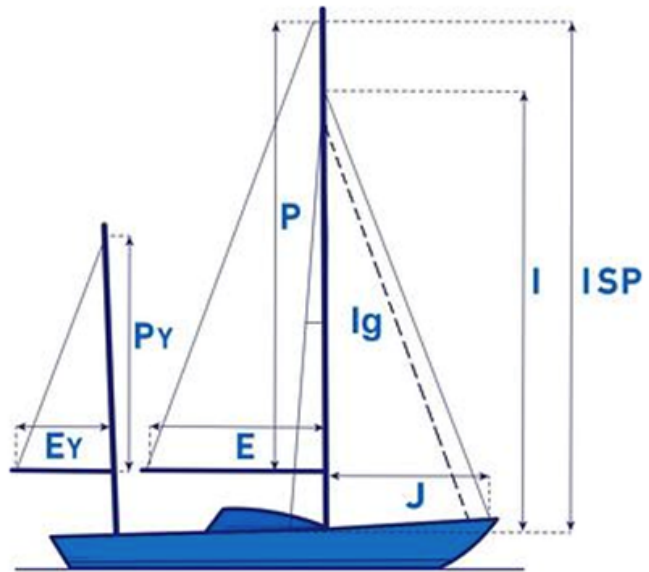
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RECOMMENDED HALYARD AND SHEET LENGTHS

Estimating halyard and sheet lengths is easy! Standard sailmaker I.J.P.E. dimensions are usually the most commonly available data to work from. The following diagrams and formulas will then help calculate the most appropriate length for your ropes.

L: BOAT LENGTH	**P: MAINSAIL HOIST LENGTH**
I: HEIGHT OF THE FORESTAY ABOVE DECK	**E: MAINSAIL FOOT LENGTH**
J: LENGTH FROM MAST TO FORESTAY	**PY: MIZZEN HOIST LENGTH**
EY: MIZZEN FOOT LENGTH	**IG: HEIGHT OF INNER FORESTAY ABOVE DECK**
ISP: HEIGHT OF SPINNAKER HALYARD ABOVE DECK	**X: DISTANCE FROM GENOA WINCH TO MAST**
Y: DISTANCE FROM HALYARD WINCH TO MAST	**Z: HEIGHT OF BOOM ABOVE DECK**

Use your rig geometry to calculate approximate halyard and sheet lengths using the formulae below. Each of the formulae includes some room for error however, if in doubt, it is always better to add on 1-2 meters, than to cut it too short!

Halyards

	Halyard winch on coachroof		Halyard winch on mast
Main 1:1	$2.1 \times P + Z + Y + 1$	Main 1:1	$2.1 \times P + 2$
Main 2:1	$3.2 \times P + Z + Y + 1$	Main 2:1	$3.2 \times P + 2$
		Mizzen 1:1	$2.1 \times Py + 2$
Genoa	$2.1 \times I + Y + 1$	Genoa	$2.1 \times I + 1$
Spi / Code 0 / Gen	$2.1 \times Isp + Y + 2$	Spi / Code 0 / Gen	$2.1 \times Isp + 2$
Staysail	$2.1 \times Ig + Y + 1$	Staysail	$2.1 \times Ig + 1$

Sheets

Jib	L	Genoa	$1.5 \times L$
Gennaker	$2.5 \times L$	Spinnaker Sheet / Guy	$2.1 \times L$

Reef Lines

	Reef 1 at 12% of P		Reef 2 at 24% of P
Main Reef 1	$0.24 \times P + E + Z + Y + 2$	Main Reef 2	$0.48 \times P + E + Z + Y + 2$
Mizzen Reef 1	$0.24 \times Py + Ey + Z + Y + 2$	Mizzen Reef 2	$0.48 \times Py + Ey + Z + Y + 2$

If you have any questions about your running rigging requirements, do not hesitate to contact us at support@upffront.com