

In the tradition begun by the Beetle family in 1921, continued by Concordia Company, and today carried on by Beetle Inc, the Beetle Cat is constructed of the finest available materials by a group of skilled workers.

The keel and stem are constructed from air-dried white oak. The steam-bent frames are also of white oak, but cut from the butt of the tree to insure strength and fair bending. Hull planking is white cedar, properly air-dried. All fasteners are silicon bronze. Special care is given to the jointing and planking. All loose knots are reamed and plugged. Before plugs are driven, they are dipped in glue to insure holding power. Each boat is caulked, faired, and sanded by hand. After each boat comes off the mold, it is given a coat of primer inside and out.

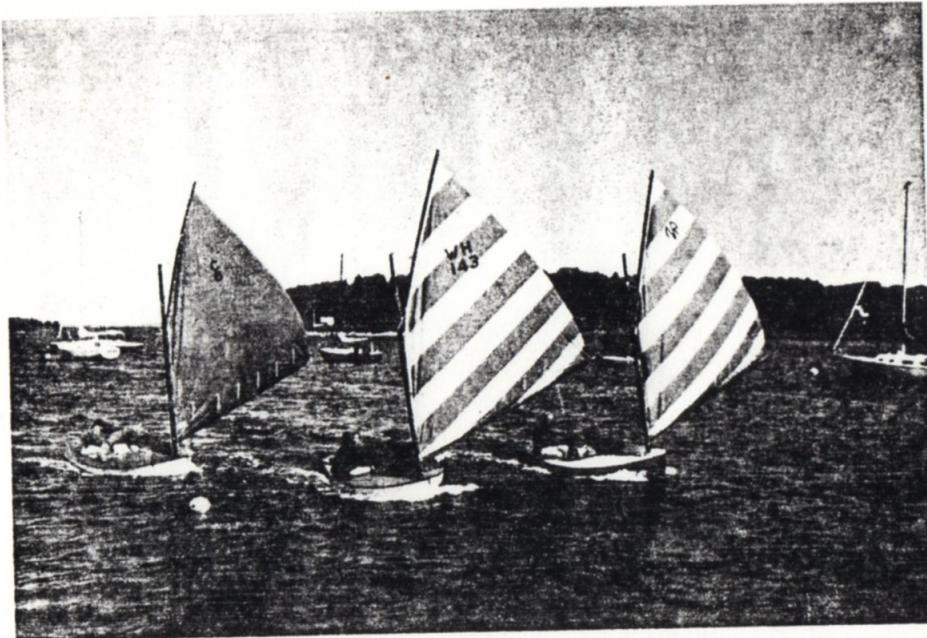
The deck beams are of clear pine, sawn to the proper crown. Decking is of white cedar, same as the hull. The mast step is of oak and is bridged over the stem and keel and then through-bolted through each giving added support to stem and keel. The mast partner is also of oak. Added support is given by using a 2 x 3 strong back which runs fore and aft. It runs along the top of the centerboard box and is fastened to an extra heavy deck beam that helps support the mast partner. The deck beams rest on top of the strong back and are fastened to the sheer clamps. This construction gives a solid deck to walk or jump on. The one-half inch cedar decking is fastened to the deck beams and the top of the sheer plank. It too is plugged, faired, sanded, and then covered with No. 8 canvas duck. The canvas is not set in paint or other bedding as it would be damaged by the shrinking and swelling of the deck planks. Instead, the canvas is given a penetrating primer coat and another top coat of marine enamel.

Coamings are of clear, book-matched oak, steam-bent into place. They are scraped, sanded and varnished. The half-round rub rail is of the same and varnished. Spars are made of air-dried, straight-grain Douglas Fir. Gaff jaws of good dry oak. The mast is tennoned and bears on top of the mast step, preventing the mast from bearing on the stem / keel joint.

The stem is now laminated, producing a much more fair and exact shape (originally it was steam bent). Limber holes of good space have been allowed on all frames. A special mold has been built to insure fair lines and exact dimensions on every boat. Stem to keel fastenings have been bolted and nailed. Centerboard box sides and transoms use a splined glue-joint to ensure tightness. Full length floor boards are now removable for improved maintenance.

Today's Beetle Cat is of the highest quality, continuing the tradition of New England craftsmanship. The New England Beetle Cat Boat Association hopes you enjoy sailing your craft as generations have before you.

3.10.5 During a Round Robin event, each skipper is responsible for an inspection of the boat to which he is assigned. Any defects shall be reported to the Race Committee before racing. Any damage or loss, no matter how small, shall be reported to the Race Committee at the end of the race in which the damage or loss took place. Once a skipper has inspected the boat and started a race, failure to complete the race because of equipment shortage or failure will result in a score of DNF for that race.



Sail Specifications:

Leech	max 17' 4"
Leech Roach	max 0' 7.5"
Foot	max 13' 0"
Foot	min 12' 6"
Foot Roach	max 0' 4.5"
Hoist	max 7' 9"
Hoist Roach	max 0' 2.5"
Head	max 8' 7"
Head Roach	max 0' 2"
Diagonals:	
Throat to Clew	max 14' 6"
Tack to Peak	max 15' 11"
Battens	3
Batten Length	max 30"
Bottom Batten	min 52" from Clew
Top Batten	min 45" from Head
Reef Points	min 7 (evenly spaced)
Reef Cringles:	
At Hoist	2' 3" from Tack ($\pm 1"$)
At Leech	2' 10" from Clew ($\pm 1"$)
Sail Slides:	
Foot	max 12" Spacing
Head	max 10" Spacing
Hoop Fasteners	5
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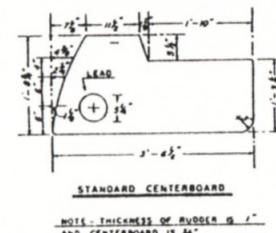
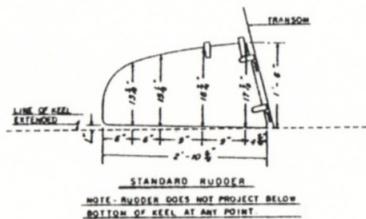
Note: Measure point at corners is apex (intersection) of edge lines

SPECIFICATIONS

Length Overall 12'4"
Length Waterline 11'8"
Beam 6'0"
Draft with Board Down 2'0"
Draft with Board Up 0'8"
Sail Area - Approx. 100 sq. ft.
Weight - Approx. 450 lbs.

Frame - Oak
Planking - 1/2" Cedar
Spars - Douglas Fir
Centerboard & Rudder - Marine Ply
Deck - Canvas on 1/2" Cedar
Coaming & Rails - Oak
Fasteners - Bronze
Hardware - Bronze
Sail - Dacron or Natural Fiber

ITEM NO.	NAME OF ITEM	REMARKS
1	STEAMHEAD FITTING	
2	TURNBUCKLE	HEADSTAY
3	CHAIN PLATES	PORT & STARBD OPTIONAL
4	TURNBUCKLES	PORT & STARBD OPTIONAL
5	DECK BLOCKS	PORT & STARBD
6	MOORING CLEAT	
7	HALLIARD CLEATS	PORT & STARBD
8	BOW CHOCK	
9	sheet traveler	
10	TILLER STRAP	FORWARD
11	TILLER STRAP	AFT
12	Rudder pintles	UPPER & LOWER
13	SCREW GUDGEONS	UPPER & LOWER
14	sheet block	ON TRAVELER
15	sheet block	ATTACHED TO WORM
16	EYE STRAP	ON BOOM
17	GOOSENECK	ON BOOM
18	GOOSENECK BAND	ON MAST
19	MAST EYE BOLT	
20	MAST WYTHE	ON MAST
21	PEAK HALLIARD BLOCK	ON MAST BAND
22	PEAK HALLIARD BLOCK	ON BRIDLE
23	THROAT HALLIARD BLOCK	ON MAST
24	THROAT HALLIARD BLOCK	ON GAFF
25	TOGGLE	
26	CLAPPER	
27	GAFF JAMS	ONE TO RIGHT HAND ONE TO LEFT HAND
28	MAST HOOPS	FIVE REQUIRED
29	BOOM CRUTCH CLEAT	
30	BOOM CRUTCH SOCKET	
31	BRASS PIN	TO HOLD CENTERBOARD UP 67-1/8" LONG FROM THROAT TO HOLE IN STEAMHEAD FITTING
32	HEADSTAY	
33	SHROUDS (PORT & STARBD) OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT	10-10" LONG FROM EYEBOLT TO HOLE IN CHAIN PLATE
34	TILLER	



BEETLE CAT BOAT

SAIL PLAN and DECK PLAN

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scale: 1' x 1'