HUNTER 27' SPECIFICATIONS

L.O.A.	27'0"
L.W.L.	22'0"
Beam	9'3"
Displacement	7,000 lbs.
Ballast	3,000 lbs.
Sail Area	337 square feet
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Draft:

 Shoal
 3'3"

 Deep
 4'3"

 Mast height
 33'5"

 From waterline
 39'1"

 Headroom
 6'1"

Rig measurements: E (mainsail foot) 10.0' J (foretriangle base) 11.25' P (mainsail luff) 29.75' I (foretriangle height) 34.5'

RIGGING LENGTHS OVERALL

Head Stay35'10"
Back Stay38'
Upper Shroud ... 34'2½"
Lower Aft17'1½"
Lower Foreward 16'10¼"
Main Halyard31'4"
Jib Halyard34'7"
Topping Lift33'



27'

Rigging chart: size 3/16" 1 x 19 wire strand strength 4,700

Fuel tank capacity: 12.5 gal. Water tank capacity: 35 gal.

FOR COMPLETE ELECTRICAL SYSTEM SCHEMATIC SEE REVERSE SIDE

HUNTER BOAT OWNERS MANUAL





The only thing you add is water.

AHOY!

And congratulations. In becoming the owner of a Hunter Sailboat you've become the skipper of a craft designed, engineered and built to be as fine a family cruiser as any afloat. We stand behind this quality with a warranty which we request you read. To insure your warranty is valid, fill out the attached card and send it to us within thirty days of purchase date. The warranty data should also be recorded in the space below so that all the information thereon will be handy should you ever need it for reference. While you're at it, fill out and mail the cards that validate the warranties on your Yanmar diesel, battery, stove, head, fresh water pump and other accessories.

The enclosed "ROMEO" card should be filled out as well so that you (and your boat) can be registered in the Record of Marine Equipment Owners. Section 15 of the Federal Boat Safety Act requires that first owners be registered.

(Hull Identification Number is on outside of transom, starboard side, upper corner. This number must be given in all necessary communications.)

HUNTER OWNER INFORMATION CARD

Owner's Signature

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DATE DELIVERED TO	DEALER		
DATE DELIVERED TO	OWNER		
Hull #			
Owner			
Street			
City and State		Zip	
Model	Size	Hull #	
Engine Model	Serial #		
Name of Boat		Propeller Size	
Dealer			
Street			
City and State		Zip	
Dealer's Signature			

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Cherubini Design Your Flunter sailboat was designed by John Cherubini, a marine architect who's acquired a vast reputation for never losing sight of the relationship of form to function. Your boat is a reflection of the Flunter philosophy that a family cruiser should be performance oriented. And vice versa.

HULLAND DECKS

Hunter hulls and decks are fiberglass and are assembled a special way. In construction, we start with pre-cut kits. The precision of pre-cutting enables us to lay up the hull uniformly. Accent lines on the hull exterior, such as the waterline, are actually part of the gel-coat finish. They are not taped on or painted over. This means no re-taping or re-painting. A black back-up gel is applied to the interior of the hull.

Decks are reinforced with closed all-vertical-grained balsa wood cores. This reinforcement provides not only stability but also rigidity and insulation. Plywood is embedded in the fiberglass where important thru-bolted items such as cleats are located.

In addition, we apply non-skid surfacing to decks. This is an exterior application rather than a pattern that's molded into the fiberglass. We prefer this technique at Hunter because it provides a coarser, non-skid surface. Should this surfacing be damaged in any way, your Hunter dealer can advise you as to the proper material for application.

JOINING OF HULL AND DECK

Hunter hulls and decks are joined together in a unique way to insure TOE RAIL maximum strength. Quarter-inch stainless steel 4"STAINLESS BOLTS bolts with washers and LOCATED AT 6" INTERVALS lock nuts join the toe rail. deck and hull. Placed at BUTYLTAPE six-inch intervals, these bolts are wrapped in DECK, butyl adhesive sealing compound, the same BUTYLTAP compound which is used to seal both the facings of deck to hull and toe rail to deck. The toe rail is constructed STAINLESS of 6061T6 black anodized aluminum. STAINLESS LOCKING NUTS

FIBERGLASS CARE

Fiberglass surfaces should be cleaned, buffed and waxed at least once every boating season. Auto wax or polish can be used to bring back the original gloss to scratched or faded areas.

Normal accumulation of surface dirt can be removed simply by occasional rinsing with water. If your boat is operating in salt water, more frequent rinsing will be required. To remove stubborn dirt, grease or oil, use a mild detergent and a soft brush. Rinse with clean fresh water.

FIBERGLASS REPAIRS

Your Hunter dealer can supply you with the proper gel coat to be used in repairing any hairline cracks or chips. Patchwork operations should not be undertaken in less than moderate (mid-60's) temperatures.

- a. Clean repair area completely of water, wax, dirt or oil. Use a mild detergent solution and dry completely.
- b. To patch spider web or hairline cracks, start by opening them up by making a "V" cut with a sharp instrument or a three-cornered file.
- c. Sand patchwork area evenly. Dust clean.
- d. Mix a teaspoon of patching compound and two or three drops of hardener on a piece of cardboard or wood. Stir with a spatula for 10 to 15 seconds.
- e. Spread gel coat with plastic or waxed paper and manipulate to proper contours.
- f. Allow gel coat to harden till it's set enough for sanding.
- h. Remove waxed paper or plastic sheet, wet sand with #400 grit sandpaper.
- i. Buff with buffing compound. Wax and polish.

Important note: whenever you use a power tool for buffing and polishing, avoid overheating or cutting into the surface.

TUNING THE RIGGING

After you've sailed your Hunter a few times, you should tune the rig. This is a delicate adjustment of the boat's rigging that works to insure the best performance as a function of the balance of your boat. After rigging is tuned, take care to tape

the cotter pins on the turnbuckle to avoid chafing or tearing of the sails.

The first step is the adjustment and tuning of the mast. Care should be taken to make sure that it stands straight athwartships. A way to check this is by stretching the main halyard first to a point on one side of the boat and then to a corresponding point on the other side. The distance should be equal. Original tuning should attempt to **BACKSTAY** stand the mast plumb fore and aft.

You may determine that your boat has a weather helm or lee helm. Most authorities agree that a slight degree of weather helm is good. Generally, that means a rudder angle 2°- 4° from the boat's centerline. Weather helm is most commonly corrected by raking the mast less aft. Even a bit of

foreward rake is permissible. If this does not quite achieve the balance you want, try storage of some extra weight in the aft end of the boat (under the cockpit seat).

Nowadays weather helm is more prevalent than lee helm. The latter is corrected by the opposite procedure outlined for the weather helm.

SAIL CARE

Your Hunter sailboat comes with a Dacron mainsail and 110% genoa jib.

To extend the life of your sails make sure that you:

- a. Never use them in wind ranges that exceed their capabilities.
- b. Never leave them luff for extended periods of time.

- c. Fold them whenever possible.
- d. Always keep them clean.

FORESTAY

UPPER SHROUDS

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SHROUDS

Dirty rigging is the most common cause of dirty sails. This can be alleviated by cleaning the shrouds periodically with a soft cloth.

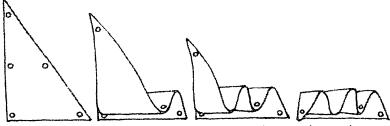
Rinse your sails in fresh water whenever possible if you sail in salt water. Tub wash your sails every few seasons. DO NOT MACHINE WASH.

Use a mild detergent in warm water. Make a point of removing all detergents completely by thorough rinsing. A soft-bristled scrub brush may be used for spot removal. For oil and grease stains use commercial cleaning solvents. Should a yellow stain develop, bleach with oxalic acid and rinse thoroughly. For rust stains soak stained areas in hot or warm solution of two parts hydrochloric acid per 100 parts water and rinse thoroughly.

If possible, dry your sails in bright sunlight. A bit of natural bleeding will occur.

FOLDING AND STORING SAILS

Never stuff a wet sail into a sailbag. And when you fold them, make long folds and smooth out the creases so their shape is maintained. Constantly check your sails for any signs of wear. A little rip or weakened seam can turn into a very costly repair job on a blustery day.



How to Fold Sails When you break out your new sails, notice the way they have been packed. This is the way they should be folded when you bag your sails. Fold in 24-inch folds, parallel to the foot of the sail, smoothing the creases to avoid excessive wrinkling. Then roll the 24-inch wide folded sail to fit the sail bag.

AUXILIARY POWER

Inboard power is standard on all Hunter models except the Hunter 25'. Power is supplied by a high performance Yanmar diesel engine. This engine is warranted by the manufacturer. Service instructions are stated in Yanmar manual. Although

Hunter cannot authorize any engine warranty service, your Hunter dealer will be happy to clear up any doubts as to the extent of your warranty coverage. Your engine and propeller shaft have been aligned by your dealer in conjunction with Hunter's pre-delivery check-out list. However, shaft alignment can change slightly after use. This can be accompanied by a drumming sound and/or vibration. Inspection by a competent mechanic should indicate the cause. Regular inspection should assure long trouble-free life for the packing gland and bearing.

Your propeller has been selected to suit average load conditions. Should you wish to change it, Hunter assumes no liability.

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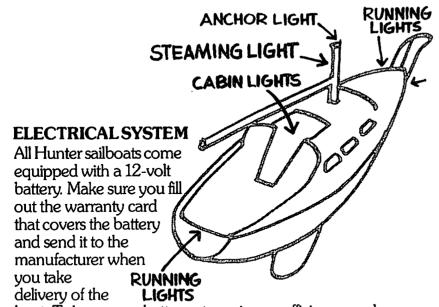
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boat. To keep your battery at maximum efficiency, make sure the level of electrolytic solution is always maintained. And when it's low, make sure only distilled water is added. Remove corrosion from battery cables with a solution of water and baking soda. Make sure cables are always tightly connected. Battery should be "Trickle-charged" 8 to 10 hours a week if it's not being used regularly. For complete electrical system schematic see reverse side of specification sheet for your boat. The specification sheet will be found in the pocket on the inside back page of the manual.

PERIODIC MAINTENANCE

HARDWARE

Most of Hunter hardware is stainless steel. If discoloration occurs, a light polishing with a metal polish such as Noxon® will return the original luster.

Some of the materials used in making some of the accessories can be harmed by the use of harsh cleaners. Be sure to follow package directions as to the cleaning of these items. Misuse is not covered by the warranty. If in doubt, contact your dealer first.

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

Fire extinguishers should be placed strategically so that should a fire ever occur in either the stove or the engine, there is an extinguisher readily accessible. Guages on the extinguishers indicate as to whether they have sufficient pressure to work properly or if they need to be re-charged.

LIFE PRESERVERS

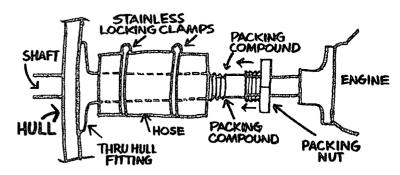
Life preservers should be kept in accessible, airy locations. They should be available for immediate use at all times. You should inspect them periodically for any signs of mildew or tears.

PEDESTAL STEERING

Hunter models that have pedestal steering should undergo periodic visual inspection of cables and pulleys. These cables running to the steering quadrant should be looked at for slack, wear and alignment.

SHAFT LOG PACKING

Shaft log packing should be checked periodically. A visual inspection that reveals excessive leaking indicates that tightening or re-packing is necessary. A nominal drop is expected for lubrication.



TEAK CARE

As your teak weathers, you can maintain an even ash white color by washing it periodically with cleaners like Ajax. Keeping an unweathered appearance is best attempted by sanding lightly and applying teak dressing (such as Wolco) or furniture oil.

ANNUAL MAINTENANCE

FUELFILTER

To guard against the problems sediment can cause, you should change your fuel filter every year. This filter is located on the fuel line between the fuel tank and the engine. Replace it with a Fram FB-M-1110-PLM special FILTER DRAIN PLUG marine fuel filter. Change the secondary filter nearer the carburetor annually as well. Apply vaseline type lubricant to threads on filter cap to prevent water from entering fuel tank. In addition, check all connections, fill hoses and clamps.

COVER-

SNAPRING

WINCHES

To insure top performance and guard against wear, your winches should be taken apart and greased at least once a year. See diagram. DRUM

STORING THE BOAT

Winter storage should be on the cradle supplied with the boat. The cradle should be LUBRICATE blocked level and square to prevent twisting the boat. Damage to your boat including engine misalignment caused by twisting is not covered by the warranty.

A. Sails, as well as all synthetic line, should be

washed and dried thoroughly. Sails should be properly folded and stowed in a dry, well ventilated place. Many Hunter owners have found that it's a good value to send the sails back to the sail manufacturer who will double check the stitching and the remainder of the sail for wear and keep the sails until the start of the next season.

- **B. Cushions** should be dry cleaned and stored in an airv place. Care should be taken not to pile them one on top of another, but rather stack them in such a way as to maximize ventilation.
- C. Hatches and floor boards should be left open a crack to provide ventilation for the whole boat. However, owner may be advised to loosely cover any open hatches that would expose the interior. A tarp or plastic sheeting works well in this regard.
- **D. Water system**—The water heater operates on 120 volts A.C. CAUTION: Do not turn on the heater until you are sure the tank is filled with water. To do so will destroy the heating element. This would not be covered by your warranty.

Intermittent operation of the fresh water pump, while all faucets are closed, usually indicates a leak in the water system lines somewhere. Trace the lines to locate the leak and correct it. This will stop the pump from running continuously.

- E. Battery should be taken out of boat and stored in a warm dry place. Give it a periodic charge while it's being stored.
- F. Fuel tank should be filled completely, to stop condensation.

G. Winterizing the engine

- 1. Drain the cooling water completely out of the engine and flush the line thoroughly with fresh water. Don't use high pressure through the line.
- 2. Remove the fuel completely from all fuel lines.
- 3. Disconnect the main battery cables from the battery terminals.
- 4. To prevent corrosion inside the cylinders, pour a little lubricating oil into the suction pipe while turning the engine. Enough oil to reach the intake/exhaust valves is sufficient.
- 5. Put the piston at top dead center of compression stroke so that the intake/exhaust valves are completely closed.
- 6. Apply a thin anti-corrosion treatment to the plating and exposed painted surfaces.
- 7. The engine should be in a well-ventilated area, and protected from any kind of dampness.

- 8. Put a dust cover over the engine.
- 9. Check Yanmar Operation Manual for engine diagram.

WATER SYSTEM

May be winterized by opening the faucet and allowing the pump to empty the tank. Then add approximately 2 gallons of non-toxic anti-freeze solution, such as "WINTERIZE" to the tank, and repeat.

A second method is to disconnect the hoses at the pump, and allow them to drain. Find the lowest point in the system and disconnect the fitting. Open all faucets to allow the lines to drain. If possible, use a short piece of hose on the faucet so as to blow through the lines to clear all water.

MARINE HEAD

The toilet installed in your Hunter is in accordance with the United States Coast Guard requirements. The care and winterizing is covered in the literature supplied by the manufacturer.

RECOMMENDED READING

There are countless volumes, libraries in fact, of good texts covering every aspect of sailing. A few of the books that are basic to every sailor's library include:

Chapman, Charles. Piloting, Seamanship and Small Bout Handling. New York, N.Y.: Hearst Books, 1974.

Gibbs, Tony. Advanced Sailing. New York, N.Y.: St. Martin, 1975.

Gibbs, Tony. Practical Sailing. Books, 1971.

Sail and 262.159ft

Lenoa 32'6" × 11-3"

Main 32'4" × 9-4"

