

## Bottom Paint

If you are going to leave your Hunter 216 in the water, you may want to consider an anti-fouling paint on the bottom for protection against barnacles and other marine growth.


The waterline for the Hunter 216 can be found by measuring down from 5 points on the boat. For each point use a flexible measuring tape and measure along the contour of the hull from the bottom of the rub-rail. This point will indicate the actual waterline (where the water hits the boat). You may want your paint line an inch or two higher.

- 1) Bow Cleat – 33 ¼"
- 2) Cabin/Deck Joint Line – 33 ½"
- 3) Chain Plates – 31"
- 4) Main Sheet – 30"
- 5) Stern Cleat – 41 ¼"



The first step to adding bottom paint to the 216 is to scuff sand the bottom surface of the boat below the waterline. Next wipe down the area with denatured alcohol to remove wax and dust from sanding. Finally, paint the boat with Interlux Fiberglass Bottomkote ACT. We only recommend Interlux's Gray White color.

If the boat is going to be left in the water the centerboard and centerboard trunk should also be painted. To access the centerboard for painting, you can either hoist the boat and drop the centerboard, or remove the centerboard from the boat. To remove the centerboard, unscrew the 8 stainless screws securing the centerboard frame to the boat (in the cockpit). Using a hoist carefully raise the complete centerboard cartridge from the boat. The centerboard is solid lead and is already primed with a suitable primer.

 Do not use Acetone or any other surface preparation chemicals as it may attack the hull material.

