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PROFILE

Independent Marine Surveyor with practical experience of yacht maintenance and repair, new build vessel construction and systems arrangements. Undertaking new build surveys, pre-delivery inspections, MCA commercial compliance, tonnage measurement and MLC compliance, pre-purchase, insurance and finance surveys, restoration project management, on/off hire, draft and bunker surveys, tow surveys, breakbulk and out of gauge cargo operations, dangerous goods.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Current Position: **Director and Marine Surveyor** (May 2015 - Present)
Contact: Sterling Global Marine Limited
Manor House Avenue
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Previous Position: **Marine Surveyor and Compliance Manager** (August 2008 – April 2015)
Contact: Geoff Waddington & Partners Limited
22 Shamrock Way, Hythe Marina Village,
Hampshire, SO45 6DY, UK

Previous Position: **Yacht Maintenance Technician** (January 2007 – November 2007)
Contact: Fairview Sailing Limited
Port Hamble Marina, Hamble
Hampshire, SO31 4QD, UK

EDUCATION

2003 – 2006: **Southampton Solent University** (formerly Southampton Institute)
BSc (Hons) Yacht Manufacturing and Surveying

1996 – 2003: **Sir Roger Manwood's School**, Sandwich, Kent
4 A levels, 1 AS level, 10 GCSEs

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

Professional Associations: Royal Institution of Naval Architects – Associate Member
Yacht Designers and Surveyors Association – Accredited Member
International Institute of Marine Surveying – Full Member & CA Examiner
Society of Consulting Marine Engineers and Ship Surveyors - Member

Recent training: Lloyds Register Hull Inspection, Damage and Repair (3 days)
YDSA electrics training
YDSA construction and surveying of steel boats training
IIMS Certifying Authority stability training
Dangerous goods awareness training
Confined spaces awareness training
Working at heights training

Certifications: RYA International Certificate of Competence, power and sail up to 24m, RYA Day Skipper Theory & Practical Qualifications, PADI Open Water Diver, VHF short range certificate.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

- 2003 Completed RYA powerboat level 2 qualification.
- 2005 Completed RYA day skipper theory course.
- 2005 Completed Personal Survival Techniques training whilst operating on P&O cross-channel Ferries.
- 2006 Graduated from Southampton Solent University with degree in Yacht Manufacturing & Surveying.
- 2007 Completed RYA day skipper practical course.
- 2008 Achieved IIMS associate membership.
- 2009 Achieved YDSA affiliate membership.
- 2009 Gained International Certificate of Competence for the operation of pleasure craft up to 24m.
- 2009 Completed Dangerous Goods Awareness training.
- 2009 Achieved accreditation for working at heights.
- 2010 Commenced attending IIMS and YDSA CA training annually.
- 2010 YDSA Wooden Boat Surveying training.
- 2011 Completed Dangerous Goods Awareness training.
- 2012 IIMS Lifesaving Equipment training.
- 2012 Upgraded to full IIMS membership.
- 2012 Set up company-wide RCD Post Construction Assessment proceed to Notified Body approval.
- 2013 Approved MCA Certifying Authority Examiner through the IIMS.
- 2013 Appointed Compliance Manager at Geoff Waddington & Partners Ltd.
- 2013 Completed Lloyds Register Hull Inspection, Damage and Repair training.
- 2013 Completed Dangerous Goods Awareness training.
- 2013 Completed short range VHF certification.
- 2013 Completed proficiency course on entry into confined spaces.
- 2013 Appointed NASHA approved consultant for Panama Flag Authority.
- 2013 Completed IIMS CA Stability training.
- 2013 Cordlash cargo securing course.
- 2013 Maritime Labour Convention (MLC) training.
- 2013 Completed IIMS electrical training.
- 2014 Completed further Dangerous Goods Awareness training.
- 2015 Completed IIMS CA Stability training.
- 2015 Completed YDSA Construction and Surveying of Steel Boats training.
- 2015 Completed YDSA Electrics training.
- 2016 Complete IIMS CA training.
- 2016 Achieved membership of the Society of Consulting Marine Engineers and Ship Surveyors.
- 2016 YDSA / ABYA training.
- 2017 IIMS / BMF Recreational Craft Directive training.
- 2017 Banksman Slinger training.
- 2017 YDSA / SCMS Workboats CA training.
- 2017 Upgraded to accredited membership of the Yacht Designers and Surveyors Association.
- 2017 IIMS Maritime Labour Convention CA training.

PROJECT HISTORY

- Operating in all marine survey disciplines with particular focus on new build survey projects, pre-delivery inspection, MCA commercial compliance, tonnage measurement and MLC compliance. Other areas of focus include pre-purchase, insurance and finance surveying, recreational craft directive (RCD) and CE compliance consultancy, commercial craft surveys, on/off hire, draft and bunker surveys and out-of-gauge / break bulk cargo loading and discharge surveys.
- Experienced in new build projects and pre-delivery inspections on vessels up to 63m of FRP, steel and aluminium construction, constructed throughout Europe and destined for all regions of the World. Vessels under 24m inspected are typically RCD or MCA compliant with larger vessels constructed in accordance with RINA pleasure and commercial rules, Lloyds or MCA LY3 to various red ensign and other popular flag state requirements including Malta commercial vessels.
- Practiced in on/off hire and damage surveys on all manner of commercial vessels, including dumb barges, tugs, jack-up vessels and containerships. Draft and bunker surveys undertaken.
- Conducting structural, insurance and full condition surveys, valuations and sea trials on a broad range of vessels for private individuals and commercial clients prior to purchase and for the purposes of obtaining insurance and finance. RCD harmonised standards used as a basis for small craft recommendations with regard to machinery, electrical, ventilation, gas, lifesaving, firefighting and other installations.
- Set up the procedure and gained notified body approval for the post-construction assessment of vessels imported into the EU in accordance with the recreational craft directive. This included acquisition of the relevant harmonised ISO standards and creating templates for assessment.
- Project managed the restoration of an 85' FRP motor yacht in Finland with extensive hull damage (required a 25' section of the hull to be cropped out), mechanical failures and water damage. Identified scope of works and material requirements for repair and replacement. Monitored quality of works throughout and conducted pre-delivery sea trials, systems testing and cosmetic inspections to ensure vessel was returned to full working order. Completed MCA commercial compliance examination process and the vessel has now completed four charter seasons.
- Attended 92' FRP yacht in Hong Kong on behalf of the manufacturer in a dispute over structural integrity and design. Samples taken for visual inspection and laboratory ashing tests in order to disprove false claims against the vessel. Designed the repair lay-up schedule and methods with consideration of the available materials and challenging environmental factors.
- Surveying loading and discharge of non-containerised cargoes ranging from Airbus wings to large yachts with responsibility to plan and supervise operations directly on behalf of major shipping lines. Various cargoes from over-temperature lettuce to drums of spontaneously combustible scrap metal encountered on insurance and dangerous goods inspections.
- Responsible for maintaining and expanding our libraries with technical data and principle consultant on Recreational Craft Directive (RCD), MCA commercial compliance, MCA Large Yacht Code (LY2/3), IACS group pleasure and commercial vessel codes and safety standards.
- Appointed Compliance Manager at Geoff Waddington & Partners Ltd, responsible for maintaining the Company's ISO 9001 status, establishing and updating procedures across all areas of business operation and ensuring consistent delivery of a high quality of service.
- Practical experience of maintaining a fleet of charter sailing yachts covering all aspects of maintenance ranging from antifouling to engine servicing, fault investigation and rectification across the full scope of vessel systems.