

International Etchells Class

Updated Tabbing Specification 24 November 2007

Effective immediately for all International Etchells the specified tabbing material for the forward bulkhead located at approximately station 2 and the bow bulkhead located forward of station 2 is changed to:

- The tabbing is to be a minimum of 17 oz/sq yard (580 gm/sq meter) stitch bonded cloth with $\pm 45^\circ$ fiber orientation and a 0.75 oz/sq yard (25 gm/sq meter) chopped strand mat. If commercially available a single stitch bonded product of the specified composition and fiber orientation may be used.
- This specification applies to all bulkheads and knees and other items bonded to the hull and deck.
- This specification change does not change the length, width or location of any tabbing in the hull or deck.

For all other bulkheads, knees and other reinforcements bonded to the deck and hull this specification change is optional and the laminate schedule specified on the class drawings may continue to be used.

The purpose of this specification change is to correct a deficiency in the strength of the forward bulkhead and improve manufacturability.