



Electric Radio Controlled Unlimiteds Inspection Committee Charter

The Inspection Committee is created by the ERCU Board of Directors, in accordance with the ERCU Bylaws to establish, maintain and regulate consistent, regular and fair inspections of boats. Specific duties and responsibilities of the committee are determined by the ERCU Board of Directors, and the committee is accountable to the board.

The ERCU Board of Directors shall appoint the Scale/Technical Inspection Committee, which is to consist of the Board Scale/Technical Inspector, an at large position elected by the membership in even numbered years and appointed to his/her position by the board on an annual basis. The board inspector will chair the committee.

Two at-large members of the club – defined by this charter as non-members of the Board of Directors – will be appointed to the committee by the ERCU Board of Directors.

A minimum of two committee members shall conduct their inspections together at the same time. If an inspection is requested by an owner/builder, and two members of the committee are not available, a waiver to race will be granted until at least two committee members can be present.

Inspections of boats may be conducted by a minimum of two committee members at any time, for any reason.

Except for the Board Inspector, no members of the ERCU Board of Directors shall participate in the inspection process.

Committee Process:

- Prior to the start of a build the owner/builder shall submit a completed intent to build form to the treasurer registrar. The registrar shall forward a copy of the Intent to Build form to the Scale / Technical Inspection committee members. The Registrar will review and approve the request if the requested boat is available. An owner/builder, by submitting the Intend to Build form, acknowledges the scale and technical requirements of the build as well as the inspection process.
- All inquiries or questions regarding scale/technical aspects that an owner/builder may have during the build process or prior to the inspection shall be referred to the Scale/Technical Inspection Committee.
- Once the build is completed and prior to the hull's first race the owner/builder shall submit to the Scale/Technical Inspection Committee a completed hull inspection form as well as detailed photos of the real boat, as required by the ERCU Rule Book.
- When the Scale/Technical Inspection Committee questions any part of a build for example, sponson shapes it is the responsibility of the owner/builder to provide photographs supporting their position that the real boat had the same details as their completed build.
- After the inspection, the Scale/Technical Inspection Committee may have identified items that need to be addressed to conform the scale/technical requirements. The committee, at its discretion, may grant a competition waiver allowing the build to enter competition for a specified amount of time until the corrections have been made and a re-inspection takes place and approved by the committee.
- The Committee shall take detailed photos of the build including but not limited to sponsons. These photos as well as a copy of the completed Hull Inspection Form in digital form shall be forwarded to the Registrar/Treasurer to be kept on record for any other future inspections.
- Owner/builders shall report and submit photos of post inspection changes to their build to the registrar who shall forward them to the Committee for review and re-inspection.

- At the discretion of the Scale/Technical Committee any boat can be the subject of a scale/technical random inspection at any time during an ERCU sanctioned event. The re-inspection procedure shall be the same process as the original inspection including additional photos, etc.
- A member may appeal any decision of the Scale/Technical Inspection Committee by following the appeals process as outlined in section X. Appeals, Waivers & Deviations of the ERCU Rulebook.

The ERCU Board of Directors shall act upon recommendations made by the Scale/Technical Inspection Committee to respond to unaddressed concerns over scale/technical non-compliance, in accordance with ERCU rules.

The Scale/Technical Inspection Committee is not expected to conduct regular meetings, though the committee is empowered to meet if/when it deems necessary to do so. Meetings of the committee will be chaired by the Board Inspector.

In compliance with ERCU Bylaws, the Board of Directors created the committee, and recruited the members to serve on the committee. Except for the Board Inspector, there shall be no board members on the Scale/Technical Inspection Committee. The committee shall have three members. There are no terms, or term limits, for these committee members. Vacancies on the committee will be filled by appointment as result of a simple majority vote completed by the ERCU Board of Directors.

2023 Scale/Technical Inspection Committee Members

- Bill Mowatt, chair
- Jim Latimer
- Robbie Roberts