

'BIRCH' and 'BLACKTHORN'

It is submitted the Surveyors be informed, in reply to their letter of 24.7.48, that these vessels require equipment in accordance with, or equivalent to, letter "s", Table 19 of the Trawler Rules, i.e.,

1st bower	9 cwts. 1 qr.
2nd bower	8 cwts. 3 qrs.
Chain Cable	135 fathoms of 1.3/16 dia.
Hawsers	60 fathoms 6"
Warps	60 fathoms 5½"

With regard to the 'BIRCH', provided the hawsers and warps are in accordance with the Rules and the equipment of anchors and chain cables now on board are found in a satisfactory condition, the vessel would be eligible for the figure '1'.

The bower anchor, certificate No. 99138, can be accepted as part of the equipment of the 'BLACKTHORN' and the figure '1' could be recommended for assignment, providing the hawsers and warps are in accordance with the Rules. The undecipherable chain cable might in this instance be reasonably assumed to be that originally supplied and, if in good condition, can be accepted as part of the equipment.

W.O.T.
28.7.48.

Mr. Roger telephoned this morning and was informed of the Society's requirements as above.

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