

### **How to change the name on an RYA measurement certificate**

For a second hand optimist, all the certificates need to be changed into the name of the new owner. Under the Optimist Class rules, certificates are invalid for competition if they are not in the name of the family of the child who sails the boat.

To get a new RYA measurement certificate issued in the correct family name:

- Send the existing RYA measurement certificate to the RYA Technical Unit, RYA House, Ensign Way, Hamble, Southampton, Hampshire SO31 4YA.  
Tel 0845 345 0383 or 023 8060 4202 – the team there are very helpful
- Include a covering letter asking them to issue a new RYA measurement certificate in the family name (as opposed to an individual child's name). This eases the transfer of boats between children in the same family.
- Include the appropriate fee for the new certificate;
  - Full/Junior Member of the RYA - £15.32
  - Non-member - £25.53Cheques payable to the RYA
- The RYA will transfer all the relevant details from the old certificate to the new one, including the latest buoyancy test date, plus all the "registered" sails associated with the boat. They will then return it by post.
- The whole process should take no more than a few days but do not leave it to the last week if required for an event.
- Keep a photocopy of all documents sent in the post.