

Fitting Instructions for the Bainbridge 25CTJM Batten Tension Adjuster – by Keith Newnham

The batten itself needs to be reduced in width from about 25mm to about 22mm. I recommend that you use a hacksaw down to about 23mm & try to attain a tight push fit by filing the last bit off.

Many currently glue them on with silicon adhesive (bathtub caulk) so you can then take them off for major events like the Nationals & for breakages, but if you can achieve a push fit, then you get away from the potential mess of bath sealant.

A line about 500mm long by 3mm thick for each batten is required, you should be able to re-use the existing line.



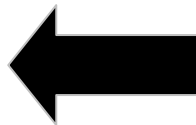
Tensioning is by the notch, which rarely comes loose, but also tie 2 figure of eight knots in the line, as per photo. The first is to prevent the batten end from coming off, and the second is to assist your grip when tensioning.

Tie the line first to the sail, the line then goes through the hole in the batten and through the other hole in the sail. It then goes through the hole in the plastic batten end and a figure of eight knot is tied as close to the batten end as possible (without actually tensioning the sail). The end of the line then goes through the hole in the sail and the other figure of eight is tied.



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