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Where is a boat's ID number and what does it mean?

Hull Identification Numbers are located in two places on a boat. One is on or near the transom (rear of boat) that is easily seen, and one is hidden inside the boat to help with identification in case of theft.

The characters in a HIN do have meaning! See the chart below which applies to all boats built after August 1, 1984.

ABC		12345		C3		93	
Manufacturer ID Code		Hull Serial Number		Date of Certification or Manufacture		Model Year	
JAN	A	APR	D	JUL	G	OCT	J
FEB	B	MAY	E	AUG	H	NOV	K
MAR	C	JUN	F	SEP	I	DEC	L

For more information about the Manufacturer ID Code (MIC), try this website:

http://uscgboating.org/recalls/mic_database.htm

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