

All rigging wire used on yachts has a tendency to stretch, especially on a new yacht, and after you have sailed in heavier wind than you normally experience. Therefore, you should periodically check the tension on the shrouds and stays, tightening them up if it is required.

Our masts are built to withstand any normal usage but improper tuning or handling can cause problems. Rigging as well as tuning, becomes all important when setting up the mast. A knowledgeable person should oversee the rigging and tuning so as to eliminate the possibility of an eccentric load which might occur with an improperly loaded shroud. Special attention should be given to the initial stretch of the shrouds and a further gradual stretch of the wire over the first few hard outings.

ALWAYS, before leaving the dock, check all your turnbuckles for tightness. MOST MAST FAILURES HAVE BEEN TRACED BACK TO LOOSE TURNBUCKLES AND IMPROPER TUNING.

