

The Marine Society & Sea Cadets

TRINITY 500

It is expected that the metal fittings for the first 100 craft will be delivered to the factory (from China) by the beginning of May (volcanic ash clouds permitting); this will at last allow production to begin.

So far, a total of 240 boats have been ordered, and once production begins, it is hoped that all can be produced within 3 months.

There remains funding for about 15 boats at the special subsidised price of £1,250 each. The policy of only allowing 1 boat at this price per Unit/boat station/branch remains in place. If at the end of May the money has not all been spent, the policy will be reviewed, and a limited offer of a second boat at the lower price **may** be made, on a "first order and cheque received, first served" basis. So if you have not yet ordered your Unit a half price boat, it is worth a final effort to do so during May; once Units are offered a second boat at the reduced price, it is expected they will sell out rapidly. Any relaxation of the policy of 1 subsidised boat per Unit will **only** be announced on this website.

Until all the boats already ordered are produced, there is no lower limit on the number of additional boats that may be ordered from the factory. However, once the first production run ends, probably in July, the minimum number of boats to be ordered in a batch will be 20; so if you do not get an order in while the mould is still popping out boats, you may have a long wait while customers for 20 more boats come along. This means that if you want delivery this year, getting an order in by early July would make a delivery date much less uncertain.

A road base for the Trinity 500 on its launching trolley, at a cost of £460.00 including VAT and mainland delivery, is available from:

Mersea Trailers

6 Commerce Way, Whitehall Industrial Estate
Colchester, Essex, CO2 8HH

Tel: 0870 90 99 88 7, **Fax:** 0870 90 99 88 6

E-mail: trailer.sales@virgin.net

Those wishing to buy a road base for their T 500 should approach Mersea Trailers direct.

The design and cost of a cover for the boat will be finalised when the first production models are available.

MOD have agreed that the Trinity 500 may be used unmodified in the AOLOs of coastal Units in moderate weather, and so there is no need to develop a coastal variant.



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