

**INTERNATIONAL J/70 CLASS ASSOCIATION  
CLASS RULES PROPOSAL for 2016**

**(CRC-7) Appendages Repairs**

**Proposed Rule Change**

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**Current Rules**

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**Reason for Change**

All J/70 keels and rudders are built from female molds derived from precision faired master tooling. The molding process produces a high quality appendage, but one that can still yield some minor molding imperfections such as print through and shrinkage. This proposal would allow these imperfections to be repaired.