



Request for Interpretation No. 33

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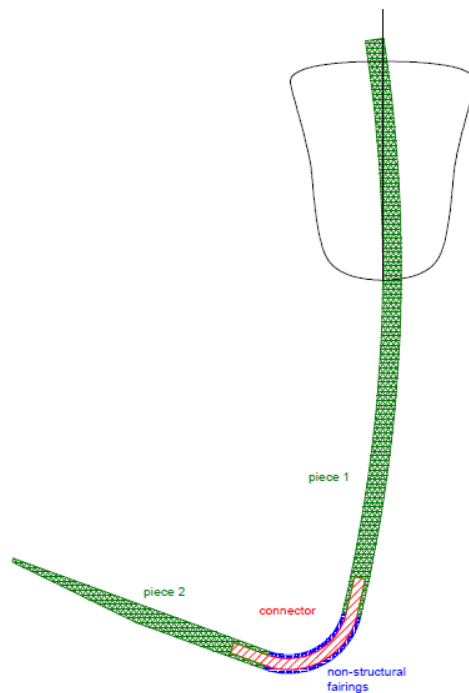
AC Class Rule Version 1.4: December 8th 2015

Rule References:

11.11 **Daggerboard** components shall be rigidly fixed to each other and the **daggerboard** shape shall not be adjusted while racing.

The following sketch shows the front view of a board that is made of several pieces.

These pieces are connected by a “connector” (red). To maintain the hydrodynamic shape of the board the “connector” is surrounded by non-structural fairings (blue).



All components are rigidly fixed to each other. The stiffnesses of the different components (piece 1, piece 2, connector, non structural fairings) differ.

Questions:

1. Does the described board comply with the Class Rules, and in particular with Class Rule 11.11?

If the answer to Q1 is “NO”,

2. Could you please specify which Class Rule(s) is/are infringed?

Interpretation:

1. The sketch and description appears to comply with Rule 11.11. There is insufficient information to assess if the board complies with all Rules associated with the daggerboard.

The Measurement Committee reserves the right to determine if the connector rigidly fixes the components to each other. As a guideline it would be expected that the connector shown above have a similar or greater stiffness to that of the adjoining daggerboard pieces.

2. Not applicable.

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