

REPORTING COMMITTEE – KEELBOAT
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Class Rules Change

A submission from the International Monohull Open Class

PROPOSAL:

C.5.3: COCKPITS

Attention is drawn to ISO 11812

a) General requirements:

Cockpits shall be structurally strong, self-draining quickly by gravity at all angles of heel and permanently incorporated as an integral part of the hull. They must be essentially watertight, that is, all openings to the hull must be capable of being strongly and rigidly secured.

A bow, lateral, central or stem well shall be considered as a cockpit.

b) Volume and bottom level of cockpits:

Designers are invited to consult articles 3.09.7 and 3.09.4 of the ISAF OSR, which shall apply.

c) Draining:

Cockpits shall be self-draining only by gravity by using appropriated openings or adequate drains. At 0° of heel, and 0° of longitudinal trim, the cockpit draining time, when filled to the working deck, shall not be greater than 3 minutes. Draining time may be checked in real conditions or calculated by referring to ISO 11812.

Bilge pumps outlet pipes or pipes shall not be connected to cockpit(s) drains.

CURRENT POSITION:

None

REASON:

This is a new rule, which integrates ISAF OSR. Nothing was specified in the Class rules for cockpits. (See ISAF OSR 3.09, 3.09.1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8). C.5.3.c is the easiest and best way to determine if openings or drains are adequate.