Introduction

New Rule:

This introduction only provides an informal background and the International J/80 Class Rules proper begin on the next page.

The J/80 Class has been created as a strict one-design Class where the true test when raced is between crews and not boats and equipment. The fundamental objective of these class rules is to ensure that this concept is maintained.

J/80 hulls, hull appendages and rigs are manufactured controlled and shall only be produced by a manufacturer licensed by copyright holder. Equipment is built in accordance with the J/80 Building Specification. These parts having left the manufacturer may only be altered to the extent permitted in Section C of the class rules.

J/80 sails are measurement controlled to control all the primary dimensions but may be made by any manufacturer. In order to confirm compliance with the class rules sails are required to be certified by an official measurer or by a manufacturer licensed under the ISAF In House Certification. These parts may only be altered to the extent permitted in Section C of the class rules after certification control has been performed.

Rules regulating the use of equipment during a race are contained in Section C of these class rules, in ERS Part I and in the Racing Rules of Sailing.

PLEASE REMEMBER:
THESE RULES ARE CLOSED CLASS RULES WHERE IF IT DOES NOT SPECIFICALLY SAY THAT YOU MAY – THEN YOU SHALL NOT.

COMPONENTS, AND THEIR USE, ARE DEFINED BY THEIR DESCRIPTION.

Rule C.3.2 -
Amendment:

All J/80 one-design events shall be designated as either “Member” or “Open” events. If no category is designated by the J/80 Class Notice of Race or schedule or by other notice 30 days prior to the event, then it shall be a “Member” event.
Rule C.8.5  RUNNING RIGGING (a) Use
Amendment:
(ii) Use of a turning block to cross-sheet the headsail to the windward primary winch

Rule D.5
Amendment:
D.5  BUILDER’S WEIGHT
D.5.1(a) The boat in "builder’s weight" condition shall not be less than 1,425kg or more than 1,450kg on certified scales. This weight shall include hull, keel, rudder, deck, all specified mouldings and structures, companionway ladder/step, companionway drop board, floorboard, bunktop covers, all fixed standard and optional fittings, spars, standing and running rigging and hardware that is part of the standard building specifications by the builder. Builder’s weight excludes battery, sails, cushions, portable equipment and non-factory installed hardware.