

Equipment Rules of Sailing

C.7.1 Fastening, Sanding, Polishing, Sealed in position, Sealed closed

A submission from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee

Purpose or Objective

To introduce a separate term for polishing and two new terms for locking equipment in place or to block access.

Proposal

Add new term C.7.1 (h), (k) and (l) as follows

C.7.1 Terms

(c) FASTENING

To fix in place with bolts, screws, ~~or~~ rivets or other suitable means.

(f) SANDING

Removal of the outermost surface through use of an abrasive material with or without a lubricating agent, which does not alter the shape but may remove localised irregularities or textures in the surface. ~~It may include polishing through the use of a cutting compound.~~

(h) POLISHING

The application of cutting compounds with or without a **lubricating** agent, in order to reduce surface roughness.

~~(h)~~ FAIRING

The addition and/or removal of material to alter the shape.

~~(i)~~ LUBRICATING

The application of non-permanent friction reducing compound.

(k) SEALED IN POSITION

Securing or locking something in place to prevent movement. The use of seals, stickers, or other marking devices to indicate if something has been moved.

(l) SEALED CLOSED

Locking something to prevent access. The use of seals, stickers, or other marking devices to indicate if something has been moved.

Current Position

As above

Reasons

1. Polishing should be defined separately and two new types of securing equipment have to be defined, used in many class rules and by the OSR. This introduction will simplify the respective class rules. Fastening should also include other means like rope lashing, which are commonly used in practice.
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