



INTERNATIONAL FORMULA 18 CATAMARAN ASSOCIATION



The President

Noordwijk, 3rd July 2025

Statement on Rudder winglets

Further to our reminder circulated on 30 June:

- 1) Following invitation to create working parties to work on technical issues as well F18 rules expressed during 2015 World Council held on 12th July in Kiel, Austrian F18 NCA, on 20th June 2016, has been the only one to suggest to allow winglets, but this declaration of intent never led to the filing of a proper submission.
- 2) Our rules are closed Class Rules, as presented in Class Rules Introduction:
*THESE RULES ARE **CLOSED CLASS RULES** WHERE IF IT DOES NOT SPECIFICALLY SAY THAT YOU MAY – THEN YOU SHALL NOT.*
- 3) ERS defines WINGLET in E.1 HULL APPENDAGE TERMS:
E.1.2 (I): A hull appendage attached to a keel, bilge keel or bulb, primarily used to affect leeway and/or lift.
- 4) Our Class Rules do not specifically mention Winglets in Section E – Hull Appendages:
E.1 PARTS
E.1.1 MANDATORY
 - (a) Rudders
 - (b) Tillers
 - (c) Tiller connecting bar
 - (d) Rudder pins or pintles
 - (e) Rudder gudgeonsE.1.2 OPTIONAL
 - (a) Centreboards
 - (b) Daggerboards
 - (c) Tiller extension
- 5) Nor C.R. E.4 Rudder blades, rudder stocks and tillers does mention Winglets
- 6) Following, **Winglets are not permitted.**

On behalf of IF18CA Executive Committee,

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