

Sealing of Thru Hull Rudder Bearing HR46 & HR53

Corrective action if a leak is detected between bronze thru-hull rudder bearing and the hull GRP laminate.

To create the best possible seal between bronze hull bearing and GRP laminate cut a narrow groove, approx 5mm wide and 6-8mm deep, between the bronze bearing housing and the GRP laminate. A small ball-shaped grinding Burr (eg. Dremel tool) is the ideal tool to use when cutting this groove. Clean/wipe down with acetone and seal groove with Sikaflex.

