

INTERPRETATIONS

FITA CONSTITUTION AND RULES

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The Constitution and Rules Committee finds that the questions presented to be within the terms of reference of the Technical Committee.

The Constitution and Rules Committee has determined that the following interpretations of the Technical Committee are not contrary to the existing rules or Congress decisions.

Response from the Technical Committee:

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Furthermore, a manufacturing tolerance range is necessary for manufacturing requirements as making an exact 9.35 or 9.45 mm gauge is difficult and often expensive for zero tolerance requirements. Therefore, a manufacturing tolerance of .04 mm is provided for ease of manufacturing. This additional tolerance range shall be - .01 mm to + .03 mm, providing a range of 9.34 mm to 9.38 mm for the “U” shaped shaft gauge and 9.44 mm to 9.48 mm for the arrow point hole.

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Book 5, Article 11.10.3.1.7.1

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Book 5, Article 11.10.3.3.7.1

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