



## KILWELL ROD CRAFT CARE

### Your Investment Deserves Protection

Apply wax to ferrule joints on two, three, four piece fresh and salt water rods to ensure a perfect fit and reduce wear.

Check guides regularly for excess wear. Damaged or cracked guides will reduce the life of your line.

Always store your rod in an upright position. If a rod is supplied with a bag, use the tab to hang the rod in its bag in an upright position.

A two piece rod should be stored and transported in its bag with tip adjacent to the butt end of the rod as with two, three and four piece rods.

Never store your rod in direct sunlight or extreme heat for extended periods.

Avoid direct contact with petroleum by-products, insect repellents and solvents. Contact can cause severe damage to the blank finish.

When storing rods away, always ensure the rod is perfectly dry. Wipe down with a clean soft cloth, paying particular attention to metal parts to avoid corrosion.

Roller guides on game rods should be regularly checked to ensure rollers are lubricated and revolving freely, thus avoiding damage to your line.

All saltwater rods should be thoroughly rinsed with fresh water and dried after each outing, and once again paying particular attention to metallic parts.

Do not over load the rod when playing a fish, a short stroking action is the preferred fishing technique, and DO NOT use the rod to lift your fish into the boat as your rod was not designed to be a crane.

When presetting drags, do not point load your rod or use unrealistic drag settings. The recommended strike drag setting should be approx 1/3 of the line breaking strain.

Today's fisho's have demanded that rods be light, slim and yet still be strong. Modern rods are made from high modulus carbon materials and they will not stand up to the rough and tumble of the older yesteryear rods made from heavy walled materials.

Kilwell Sports Ltd recommends the use of protective tubes or padded bags for all rods ensuring maximum protection during transit.

These simple precautions will ensure your rod gives maximum pleasure and service. Treat your rod as the finely tuned tool that it is.

**Prevention is better than cure.**

