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Racing Rules 2013-2016

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Changes to the Racing Rules

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Please refer to your **Rule Book** *as we go through the changes*

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Definitions: ***Finish***

Change & Effect

'direction of last mark' *replaced by* *'the course side'*

Added '(c) continues to sail the course'

This is the end of the course, opposite to the start and makes it very important for the RC to set a finish line. Also a boat must stop going up the course, she could score **DNF**!

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Definitions: *Keep Clear*

Change & Effect

The ‘other’ boat is now the ‘right-of-way boat’

On the same tack is replaced with ‘*overlapped*’ and leeward boat with the ‘right-of-way boat’

This is a part of the understanding of what a right of way is, other rule also bear on this.

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Definitions: *Mark*

Change & Effect

An object the SIs require a boat to leave on a specified side, and a race committee boat surrounded by navigable water from which the starting or finishing line extends. An anchor line or an object attached (temporarily or) accidentally to a mark is not part of it.

Removed '**temporarily or**'
Allows the RC to tie a buoy or rib to the committee boat.

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Definitions: *Mark-Room*

Change & Effect

Room to sail to the mark is now 'room to leave a *mark* on the required side'
Adds, (a) 'room to sail to the mark when her *proper course* is to sail close to it, and
(b) room to round the *mark* as necessary to sail the course'

"However, *mark-room* for a boat does not include room to tack unless she is *overlapped* inside and to *windward* of the boat required to give *mark-room* and she would be fetching the mark after her tack"

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Definitions: ***Party***

Change & Effect

Re-write of the rule no big change, except..

'However, the protest committee is never a *party*'

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Definitions: *Room*

Change & Effect

Adds ‘including space to comply with her obligations under the rules of Part 2 and rule 31,

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Part 2 Rule*: Section A Preamble*

Change & Effect

A boat has right of way over another boat when the other boat is required to ***keep clear*** of her

Clarifies 'right of way' see also, *Keep Clear*

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Part 2 Rule: *18 MARK-ROOM*

Change & Effect

18.2 (c) (2) if she becomes *overlapped* inside the boat entitled to *mark-room*, she shall also give that boat *room* to sail her *proper course* while they remain *overlapped*.

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Part 2 Rule*: 18 MARK-ROOM*

Change & Effect

18.2 (e) Adds, "by tacking to windward of the other boat"

Changes the description of how the overlap was established.

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Part 2 Rule: *18 MARK-ROOM*

Change & Effect

18.3 Tacking in the Zone "If a boat in the *zone* passes head to wind and is then on the same *tack* as a boat that is *fetching* the *mark*,"
18.3 (a) Changes "avoid her" to; "avoid contact"

Changes from "subject to rule 13 in the zone" to "passes head to wind" in the zone.

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Part 2 Rule*: 20 ROOM TO TACK AT AN OBSTRUCTION*

Change & Effect

Three sections:

Hailing

Control on when a boat shall not Hail

Responding

Hailing boat shall give time to respond

Hailed boat shall respond, even if hail breaks 20.1

Hailed boat shall tack or reply “You tack”

Hailing boat shall tack ASAP

After the hail 18.2 does not apply

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Part 2 Rule*: 20 ROOM TO TACK AT AN OBSTRUCTION*

Change & Effect

Three sections:

Passing on a Hail to an additional boat.

Middle boat may hail another boat on the same tack

Passes on the Hail, even if 20.1 is not met

False Hail for Room to Tack

Not stated in this rule, but if found a PC would look at Rule 2

A Fair Sailing disqualification not excludable (DNE)

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Part 2 Rule*: 21 EXONERATION*

Change & Effect

21 was rule 18.5

When a boat is sailing within the *room* or *mark-room* to which she is entitled under a rule of Section C, she shall be exonerated if, in an incident with a boat required to give her that *room* or *mark-room*,

(a) she breaks a rule of Section A, rule 15 or rule 16, or

(b) she is compelled to break rule 31.

(right of way rules, Acquiring RoW, Changing course)

22.3 Moving Astern (while backing a sail)

Added "through the water" for a boat required to *keep clear*

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Part 3 Rule*: CONDUCT OF A RACE*

Change & Effect

Signals
25.3 Allows flags or an object of similar appearance

Changing the next leg of the Course
33 (a) (2) a green triangle for a change to starboard or a red rectangle for a change to port.

Removes the word flag from the rule. It does not mean you can't use a flag in the shape and colour required.

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Part 3 Rule*: 28 Sailing the Course*

Change & Effect

28.1 "sail the course described in the sailing instructions"*

28.2 adds "and in the correct order"

She may correct any errors "provided she has not finished"

*90.2(a) "The race committee shall publish written sailing instructions"

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Part 4 Rule*: Preamble & Rule 55*

Change & Effect

Preamble "*Part 4 rules apply only to boats racing.*
However, rule 55 applies at all times when boats are on the water."

New rule 55 TRASH DISPOSAL
A competitor shall not intentionally put trash in the water.

BASIC PRINCIPLES
Participants are encouraged to minimize any adverse environmental impact of the sport of sailing.

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Part 4 Rule*: 41 OUTSIDE HELP*

Change & Effect

(a) Adds "or in danger" for help for a crew member
Adds the availability of outside assistance to crew "in danger"

However, a boat that gains a significant advantage in the race from help received under rule 41(a) may be protested and penalized; any penalty may be less than disqualification.

If protested, the PC has discretion in the penalty

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Part 4 Rule*: 42 PROPULSION*

Change & Effect

Small changes in 42.3 Exceptions
(c) The rule is now silent on how the sail is pulled.
In the past if you pulled on the boom or kicker, you broke this rule.

(e) If a batten is inverted, the boat's crew may pump the sail until the batten is no longer inverted. This action is not permitted if it clearly propels the boat.

The PC would watch for this breach, especially if it is a repeated action.

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Part 4 Rule: *44.1 TAKING A PENALTY*

Change & Effect

..Two-Turns Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident while *racing*.

(b) if the boat caused injury or serious damage or, despite taking a penalty, gained a significant advantage in the race or series by her breach her penalty shall be to retire.

Don't do Two-Turns after sinking the other boat!!

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