# The Equipment Rules of Sailing

Submission: **074-10** 

New B1 – POSITION OF EQUIPMENT

A submission from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee

## **Proposal**

Re-title, reorder and amend the Section B rules as follows:

# **B.1** POSITION OF EQUIPMENT

## **B.1.1 Mast Upper Limit Mark**

The <u>main</u>sail shall be below the <u>mast</u> upper limit mark.

## **B.1.2** Mast Lower Limit Mark

When a sail is set on a **main boom**, **foremast boom** or **mizzen boom**, the extension of the upper edge of the **spar** shall intersect the mast **spar** above the **mast lower limit mark**, with the boom **spar** on the mast **spar** centreplane and at 90° to the mast **spar**.

#### **B.1.3** Boom Outer Limit Mark

The **leech** of any sail set on a **boom**, extended as necessary, shall intersect the upper edge of the boom **spar** forward of the **boom** outer limit mark.

## **B.1.4 Bowsprit Outer Limit Mark**

The **tack** of any **headsail** set on a **bowsprit** shall be attached aft of the **bowsprit** outer **limit mark**.

#### **B.1.5** Bowsprit Inner Limit Mark

The **bowsprit** inner limit mark shall not be outboard the hull when the **bowsprit** is set.

## **B.2** HEADSAIL BOOMS

The fore end of the boom spar a headsail boom shall be approximately on the boat centerplane.

# B.3 SPINNAKER STAYSAILS AND MIZZEN STAYSAILS

The **tack** of a spinnaker staysail or **mizzen** staysail shall be inboard the **sheerline**.

#### **Current Position**

# B.1 LIFE-SAVING EQUIPMENT AND PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES

See RRS rule 1 Safety and RRS rule 40 Personal Flotation Devices.

# **B.2** PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

See RRS rule 43 Competitor Clothing and Equipment.

# **B.3** LIMITATIONS ON EQUIPMENT

See RRS rule 47 Limitations on Equipment and Crew.

#### **B.4** LIMITATIONS ON CREW AND CREW POSITION

See RRS rule 47 Limitations on Equipment and Crew and RRS rule 49 Crew Position.

# **B.5** MANUAL POWER

See RRS rule 52 Manual Power.

## B.6 EJECTING OR RELEASING OF SUBSTANCE

See RRS rule 53 Skin Friction.

#### **B.7 SETTING OF SPARS**

#### B.7.1 Mainsail, Foresail and Mizzen Booms set on a Mast

When the sail is set on a **main boom**, **foremast boom** or **mizzen boom**, the extension of the upper edge of the **spar** shall intersect the mast **spar** above the **lower limit mark**, with the boom **spar** on the mast **spar** centreplane and at 90° to the mast **spar**.

#### **B.7.2** Headsail Booms

The fore end of the boom **spar** shall be approximately on the **boat** centreplane.

#### **B.7.3** Spinnaker and Whisker Poles

See RRS rule 50 Setting and Sheeting Sails.

#### **B.7.4** Bowsprits

The inner limit mark shall not be outboard the hull when the bowsprit is set.

#### **B.8** SETTING OF RIGGING

#### **B.8.1** Forestays

See RRS rule 54 Forestays and Headsail Tacks.

# B.9 SETTING, SHEETING AND CHANGING SAILS

## **B.9.1** Trilateral Mainsails, Foresails and Mizzens

- (a) The **sail** shall be below the mast **upper limit mark**.
- (b) The **leech**, extended as necessary, shall intersect the upper edge of the boom **spar** forward of the **outer limit mark**.
- (c) The **foot** of a loose footed sail, extended as necessary, shall intersect the mast **spar** above the **lower limit mark**.

#### **B.9.2** Headsails set on a Bowsprit

The tack of any headsail set on a bowsprit shall be attached aft of the outer limit mark.

See also RRS rule 54 Forestays and Headsail Tacks.

# **B.9.3** Spinnaker Staysails and Mizzen Staysails

The **tack** shall be inboard the **sheerline**.

See also RRS rule 50 Setting and Sheeting Sails.

#### **B.10 CENTRE OF GRAVITY**

#### **B.10.1** Corrector weights shall be securely fixed.

See also RRS rule 51 Movable Ballast.

## B.11 ANCHORING, MAKING FAST AND HAULING OUT

See RRS rule 45 Hauling Out; Making Fast; Anchoring.

## **B.12 FOG SIGNALS AND LIGHTS**

See RRS rule 48 Fog Signals and Lights

#### Reason

To reflect the proposed changes to Section B covered by Submissions 072-10 and 073-10. Rules on positioning equipment in relation to limit marks are proposed to be assembled in the proposed new B1.

#### 2010 NOVEMBER CONFERENCE

#### **COUNCIL DECISION – NOVEMBER 2010**

Council received submission 074-10 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee

#### **Decision**

On a proposal from Dick Batt, seconded by Kamen Fillyov, Council unanimously deferred submission 074-10 to November 2011 (33 participated).

Recommendation From The Reporting Committee

## **Equipment Committee**

#### **Recommendation to Council: Defer**

Support the recommendation from the Equipment Control Sub-committee to defer the submission.

**Opinion From The Other Committees** 

#### ISAF Classes Committee

**Opinion: Approve** 

The ICC supports the work of the ERS Working Party

Oceanic and Offshore Committee

**Opinion: No Recommendation** 

Racing Rules Committee

**Opinion: No Recommendation**