

Racing Rules of Sailing

Rule 62.1(b)

A submission from the Chairman of Race Officials Committee

Purpose or Objective

To clarify that a boat can only be given redress for the actions of another boat if that boat has been penalised or taken the appropriate penalty.

Proposal

62.1 A request for redress or a protest committee's decision to consider redress shall be based on a claim or possibility that a boat's score or place in a race or series has been or may be, through no fault of her own, made significantly worse by

... no change to item (a)

(b) injury or physical damage because of the action of a boat that was breaking a rule of Part 2 **and took the appropriate penalty or was penalized,** or of a vessel not *racing* that was required to keep clear;

... no change to item (c) or (d)

Current Position

As above.

Reasons

1. It is currently unclear in the rules if a boat can get redress for the actions of another boat if that boat has not either been penalised or taken the appropriate penalty. This submission clarifies that she cannot be given redress under those circumstances.
 2. The proposed wording is exactly the same as in rule B5.62 where it has worked well for boards.
 3. If this submission is approved, Case 142 can be deleted. A clear rule is much better than a case in terms of removing inconsistency.
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