

Racing Rules of Sailing

Rule F3.31

A submission from the Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee and the International Kiteboarding Association

Purpose or Objective

To reinstate rule 31 for kiteboard racing at the windward mark.

Proposal

Amend rule F3.31 as follows:

31 TOUCHING A MARK

~~Rule 31 is deleted.~~ **While racing, a kiteboard shall not touch the windward mark.**

Current Position

Rule 31 is deleted for kiteboarding.

Reasons

1. Due to the movement of the kite when rounding the windward mark, it is advisable to prevent kiteboards from pinching to the windward mark as much as possible as the movement of the kite regularly interferes with kiteboards approaching the windward mark on a close hauled course on the layline.
 2. This proposal is mainly a safety provision to prevent kiteboards from tangling.
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