

## Racing Rules of Sailing

### Rule G1.3 (e)

A submission from the Deutscher Segler-Verband

#### Purpose or Objective

Amend Appendix G1.3(e).

#### Proposal

#### **G1.3 Positioning**

- (e) The national letters and sail number shall be displayed on both sides of a headsail whose ~~clew can extend behind the mast 30% or more of the mainsail foot length~~ **LP is greater than 130% of J.** They shall be displayed wholly below an arc whose centre is the head point and whose radius is half the luff length and, if possible, wholly above an arc whose radius is 75% of the luff length.

#### Current Position

As above.

#### Reasons

The wording in its present form is misleading and causes misunderstanding with sailmakers and sailors. The mainsail foot length is not a measured length in the majority of classes and big-boat handicap/rating systems. The “E” is a rig dimension, measured along the top of the boom.

The overlapping of a headsail is usually determined by the length of J, which is the base of the foretriangle on a boat.

The proposed wording reflects the way this has been dealt with in the past already by all known sailmakers and rating/handicap systems and classes.

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