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The following amendments to the Class Rules have been approved to be effective 13 July 2015.

Rule C.5.1(a) (1)

Amendment: Delete the current rule and replace with the following:

Throwable device, to be located in the engine box for a quick use; Throwable devices are for example, Coast Guard or local authority approved ring buoy or throwable cushion.

Rule C.6.1 (d)

Amendment: Delete the current rule and replace with the following:

Gennaker bag systems may be changed to allow for a retraction system of optional design utilizing a takedown line, blocks, rubber or pvc tubes on the antihiking pad spectra and patches on the gennaker. The bag design is optional and:

- shall secure to the standard aluminium bracket without additional rollers or fairings
- ii. shall secure to any existing fitting in the cockpit.
- iii. shall not extend over the deck

Rule C.6.1(m)

Amendment: Add new rule to read as follows:

Painting of hull and appendages is not permitted. A boat already painted under written approval before 31 Dec.2014 cannot be repainted.

Rule C.6.4

Amendment: Add new rule to read as follows:

The material permitted for graphics like drawings, names and advertisements or simple change of colour applied on the boat after January 1st 2015 shall be manufactured from vinyl and not faired into the hull in anyway. RRS 53 still apply.

Rule C.7.1(j)

Amendment: Add new rule to read as follows:

Protective plates of optional material can be added under the gennaker sheaves. Max dimension 150X150mm, max thickness 4mm.

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Rule D.3 – MODIFICATIONS, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR

Amendment: Delete part (b) rule

Rule G.3.2(a)

Amendment: Delete the current rule and replace with the following:

The ply fibres shall consist of woven ply and/or laminated ply made from one or more of the following materials: Dacron, Polyester, aramids, HMPE. Fabric under the trade name Cuben Fiber, manufactured by Cuben Tech is not allowed. Sail reinforcements shall be made from one or more of the following materials: Dacron, polyester, aramids, HMPE, fibre glass: Fabric under the trade name Cuben Fiber, is not allowed.

N.b. Aramid is marketed under trade names such as Kevlar and Twaron and HMPE under trade names such as Spectra and Dyneema.

Rule G.4.2(d)

Amendment: Delete the current rule and replace with the following:

For new sails certified after June 1st 2015, measuring from the **aft head point** to the **clew point**, the **leech** shall form only one concave (negative) curve. Positive apexes in the leech (at batten pockets) that interrupt a negative fair curve are not permitted.

Rule G.4.2(e)

Amendment: Delete the current rule and replace with the following:

The following are permitted: <u>Cunningham eye or pulley</u>, <u>Cunningham patch</u>, <u>Cunningham cleat</u>, Stitching, glues, tapes, corner eyes, hanks, batten pocket elastic, batten pocket patches, batten pocket end caps, leech line with cleat, windows, tell tales, sail shape indicator stripes and items as permitted or prescribed by other applicable rules.

Rule G.4.2(h)

Amendment: Add new rule to read as follows:

The jib shall be rigged on the **forestay** using a zip along the **luff**.

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Rule G.4.3 – Upper Leech Point

Amendment: Delete the current rule and replace with the following:

For new sails certified after June 1st 2015, the point on the leech 3225mm from the head point to the closest point on to luff

Max 1040mm

Rule G.5.3 - Foot Length

Amendment: Delete the current rule and replace with the following:

Foot Length minimum 5580 maximum 5680

Rule I.2(e) & (f)

Amendment: Delete the current wording and replace with the following:

- e) On completion of <u>any additional</u> class sanctioned event in the calendar year <u>an additional</u> sail limitation mark <u>for any additional sanctioned event</u> will be allocated upon receipt of the sail limitation request form by the class manager (Appendix 4).
- (f) When a sanctioned event is also the world championship of the season then, the owner will be entitled to receive two sail marks at the moment of the registration at the world championship sanctioned event, provided that, afterwards, he effectively participates to the world championship. For the sake of clarity, this sanctioned event is counted for the purpose of the preceding letters but does not entitle to any button which is provided for under the preceding letters. Sail limitation marks shall be affixed to a sail by the 1 June of the year following their issue (e.g. Limitation marks issued in 2013 must be affixed by 1 June 2014).

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