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Situation:

Two boats on opposite tacks approach the weather mark, to be rounded to port. A is on port-tack and B is on starboard-tack. A tacks onto starboard inside the zone and becomes overlapped inside of B, who doesn't alter her course. A couple seconds after A has completed her tack, B bears away to round the mark and in doing so has contact with A.

Question:

Which rules are broken?

Answer:

When the windward boat B bears away and touches the leeward boat - the windward boat breaks rules 11 and 14.