

World Cup Series Questions & Answers

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Number	Nation	Class	Date	Text
1				Question Is it possible to sail on 'Day Zero' with a practice jib and spinnaker?
				Answer Yes. If the boat is selected for an equipment inspection you have to produce the registered equipment for the event

2	British Sailing Team			Question While racing, a 49er or 49erFX breaks its tiller extension. They replace it and then jettison the broken one as the carbon splintered ends can cause injury or damage and on a skiff there is nowhere to stow it. Does intentionally putting a broken tiller extension in the water break RRS 55?
				Answer Yes

3	AUS	49er	08/12/2015	Question We write you to ask that we permitted to use a 49er mainsail without the country flag sticker. We had an arrangement with AST to purchase a mainsail for the regatta that has a country flag, however subsequently this option is no longer available, but we do have a sail without the country flag to use. Despite our best efforts over the last 48hrs we have been unable to source an AUS country flag in time for the event.
				Answer Request denied. NoR/SI 9.2 applies.

4	USA	Andrew Macpherson	Jan 2016	Question If a crew member is injured on the water, is it possible to replace that crew on the water prior to jury approval (similar to replacement equipment)?
				Answer No. Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the ISAF Technical Delegate on behalf of the OA. See NoR/SI 3.1 and M3.2.

5	NOR	Sonar	Jan 2016	Question I have asked to be allowed to sail with a replacement crew that is in violation with the requirements of the SI with the support of the entire fleet. This was denied by the jury. I'm now looking into somehow finding a crew that lets me race within the rules of the SI. Should that fail, I have very few options left. I have had several of my competitors ask me if I can't just race anyway and retire after each race. I haven't wanted to do this from fear of a possible rule 2 or 69 hearing, but then my competitors have pointed out that it's not really unfair sailing to sail illegally when they all want it. So my question to you is this: If I were to do this, with all of their support, what could the consequences be?
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				Answer	<p>RRS 75.1 requires a boat to comply with the requirements of the organizing authority. Those requirements are clear in the Notice of Race.</p> <p>A boat that has not complied with the entry requirements of the Notice of Race is not eligible to race in the event, even with the agreement of all other competitors in the fleet.</p> <p>The International Jury has no authority to excuse a boat from complying with this, or any other rule.</p> <p>A boat that sails in a race when she knows she does not comply with the entry requirements is deliberately breaking the rules. A deliberate breach may be considered as a gross misconduct and make the boat subject to action under RRS 69.</p>
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6	CYP	RS:X	25/04/2016	Question	<p>This morning my racing sail was caught by a gust and was severely damaged on another competitor's fin. I bought a brand new sail today but because there is not enough time to find a print-shop to make flags and sail numbers, I ask from the organization if it is possible to race without my national flag.</p>
				Answer	Request denied. NoR/SI 9.2 applies.

7	FRA	Sonar	26/04/2016	Question	<p>Is it possible for Sonar 554 FRA 1 to participate in Hyères SWC without presenting a valid measurement certificate?</p>
				Answer	Provided she complies with RRS 78.2 and Class Rule B.1.1

8			11/06/2016	Question	<p>Are the Standard or Discretionary Penalties doubled when they apply to a Medal Race?</p>
				Answer	<p>No. See NoR/SI 19.6 – Scoring referring to RRS Appendix A4.1 where finishing places are being doubled in a medal race. This does not refer to scoring penalties. The scoring penalty shall be added after the medal race points have been doubled.</p>

9			11/06/2016	Question	<p>Are the Discretionary Penalties equitable when compared to the Standard Penalties?</p> <p>For instance, in the discretionary penalty document, when failing to apply event stickers as required (e.g. advertising, bow numbers, sail dots etc.) the band is between 2-4. The middle of band 2 would be a 20% penalty i.e. 8 points in a 40 boat fleet while not displaying a national flag is only one point in the standard penalties.</p>
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				Answer	<p>The International Jury recognises this concern.</p> <p>Under RRS Appendix N2.1 – International Juries, when asked by the Organising Authority or the Race Committee, the International Jury shall advise and assist them on any matter directly affecting the fairness of the competition.</p> <p>The discretionary penalty document is guidance and any penalty applied is at the discretion of the International Jury. It shall apply a fair and equitable penalty given the circumstances, for example the special circumstances of a medal race.</p>
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10	NED	Coach	27/04/2017	Question	Why was protest number 2 against Finn NED 89 withdrawn?
				Answer	<p>During the protest hearing, the PFD was examined. An official Brazilian document titled 'Normas da Autoridade Maritima Para Homologação de Material' was found using the information printed on the PFD.</p> <p>The Technical Committee was satisfied that this document met the condition in World Sailing World Cup Equipment Regulation 4.3 'or equivalent', and that the reference to this standard on the PFD satisfied the requirement in Notice to Competitors #4. On this basis the Technical Committee requested to withdraw the protest and the International Jury allowed the withdrawal as permitted by RRS 63.1.</p>

11	OA		28/04/2017	Question	Are competitors allowed to wear the provided bib inside out?
				Answer	No. Under NoR/SI 9.1.1 and 9.1.2, competitors are required to wear bibs as intended, unless otherwise instructed.

12	OA		28/04/2017	Question	Can a regatta official instruct a competitor how to wear a provided bib?
				Answer	Yes. Under NoR/SI competitors shall comply with any reasonable request from a regatta official. This request is reasonable.