

Rio 2016 Paralympic Sailing Competition - Requests for Information

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New Answer
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Revised Answer

#	Date	From	Topic	Question	Answer
1	6/09/2016	AUS	SKUD 18 Keel Fin	Is it permitted to modify the position of the holes or fittings in the keel fin (top or bottom) after the keel has been provided by the manufacturer?	Yes
2	6/09/2016	AUS	SKUD 18 Keel Fin	If yes, under what conditions would this be permissible and what is the correct process to do so?	a) if the manufacturer is correcting a problem in the hull or foils in order to make the boat comply with class rules, or b) the SKUD 18 Technical Committee or Class Technical Officer has authorised the correcting of a problem in the hull or foils in order to make the boat comply with class rules
3	6/09/2016	AUS	SKUD 18 Keel Fin	If modifications such as this are allowed where might an up-to-date list of approved modifications be obtained from?	https://hansaclass.org/technical/equipment-applications/additional-equipment-applications-for-the-skud18/additional-equipment-applications/
4	7/09/2016	USA	Docking	Request that the docks that are closest to launch points and the container area be used during competition	Only one of the docks is considered suitable for use during competition. All teams are therefore requested to relocate to the new marina pontoons designated
5	7/09/2016	USA	Docking	Please clarify that athletes can dock alongside their coach boat during competition days.	Yes, coach boats can be berthed within the allocated NPC areas
6	7/09/2016	USA	Sonar Lifting Strop	The lifting strap Rio 2016 has provided is too short for most Sonars, causing the lifting fork to make contact with Sonar equipment. We request Rio 2016 to provide a strap that is 190 cm in length.	If required, a longer strap will be provided. However, correctly fitted balance lines will prevent any damage.

7	7/09/2016	USA	Copacabana Course	What is race management's intended plan for the Copacabana course? How ill it be used—if at all?	Copacabana is the reserve course area and will only be used when it is considered that racing is not feasible on Pao de Acucar or Escola Naval.
8	7/09/2016	USA	Sonar Rules	In the Sonar class, are sailors permitted to hike off of the standing rigging (shrouds) while racing?	There are no Sonar Class rules that specifically permit or prohibit hiking off standing rigging (shrouds) while racing. However, rules that limit the position of crew while racing and may affect hiking include RRS 49.1, Sonar Class rule C2.1 and Para World Sailing RMM paragraph 6.
9	7/09/2016	USA	Sonar Rules	In the Sonar class, are sailors permitted to sit on the cabin top while racing?	Sitting on the cabin top is governed by Para World Sailing RMM 6.1(c).
10	7/09/2016	USA	Delta Flag	We request the Delta Flag times to be increased to 90 minutes prior to warning signal.	The Race Management Team are mindful of the time required for athletes to be prepare for sailing but also wish to avoid potential delays to the racing program. The time will remain at a minimum of 45 minutes for the time being and we will monitor for any problems.
11	8/09/2016	AUS	SKUD 18 Gennakers	SKUD 18 class rules allow for a boat to measure in 2 mains, 2 jibs and 2 gennakers for a regatta and this has not been modified in the Paralympic Games rules/documents. The established practice is for the coach to carry these additional measured sails. Therefore equipment regulation 7.6 places more onerous tasks on the EIC than is necessary. We request that ER7.6 be deleted allowing coaches to carry the complete second set of measured sails.	Consistent with the Olympic Sailing Competition, the Paralympic Two Person Keelboat may have a primary and spare national flag gennaker. The spare is held by the EIC who retain the spare in case there is damage to the primary gennaker. This maintains control over the spare sail and reduces the disadvantage for nations which only have one national flag gennaker available.

12	9/09/2016	NZL	Competition Clothing	Can you advise information about getting sign off on competition clothing?	NPCs are primarily responsible for ensuring that all items worn or used by the members of their delegation comply with the IPC Manufacturer Identification Guidelines. The International Federations, including World Sailing, are responsible for enforcing the compliance of items (such as sports equipment) in relation to their respective sport. World Sailing officials are progressively checking boats and equipment ahead of competition. Teams are asked to ensure that team sailing clothing and PFDs that will be worn on the FOP, along with any other team clothing worn at the venue, including track suits to be worn at the medal ceremony, are compliant with the guidelines.
13	9/09/2016	FRA	Sonar Headsail	If there is damage to the headsail during the first race of the day, can this be replaced by another sail that is measured at the end of the day or must the team use the second headsail that has been measured?	If a Sonar headsail is damaged while racing it may be replaced on the water with an un-measured sail of the same weight and design only with the permission of the measurer for that line. The replacement sail shall be measured immediately after the last race of the day. If it does not measure properly the boat shall be disqualified from the race(s) in which it has been used. The original sail shall be immediately repaired if possible and used in subsequent races.
14	9/09/2016	GBR	PFDs	Is it permitted to remove the Buoyancy Aids (PFDs) from the venue for washing / sterilizing / drying?	Personal equipment as defined in ERS C.5. may be removed and returned to the venue. Optional seat cushions may be taken from the venue to the container park for cleaning, sterilizing and drying and returned. Replacement cushions are not allowed without permission of the EIC. Optional batteries for 2.4 Norlin One Design pumps and SKUD 18 canting seats may be taken from the venue to the container park for charging and returned. Replacement of batteries is not allowed without permission of the EIC.

15	9/09/2016	GBR	Bibs	Can an exception be made for a SKUD 18 helm to not wear a bib as the combination of thermoregulation clothing and bib restrict movement?	Bibs may be adjusted to ensure they are comfortable for the sailor provided this does not impact the intended "Look of the Games"
16	9/09/2016	GBR	ER Penalties	To avoid confusion, could infringements of the Equipment Regulations be made [NP] as well as [DP]?	No. There are some rules within the ER for which it is not appropriate to remove the right for boats to protest.
17	15/09/2016	GBR	SKUD 18 Class Rules	If a boat has a technical problem that to be fixed requires one of the crew to temporarily undo the seat restraints can they temporarily suspend racing to fix the problem then resume racing? Should a crew declare this action to the EIC at the completion of racing? Does the breakdown need to be critical to the ability of the boat to complete the course in the time limit?	If the crew undo the restraint while racing they will break the class rule/RMM. This should be declared in a report to Sports Information and/or the EIC. The EIC may be obliged to protest. As class rules are subject to discretionary penalty, the Jury will use the Discretionary Penalty Guidelines to decide the appropriate penalty.
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