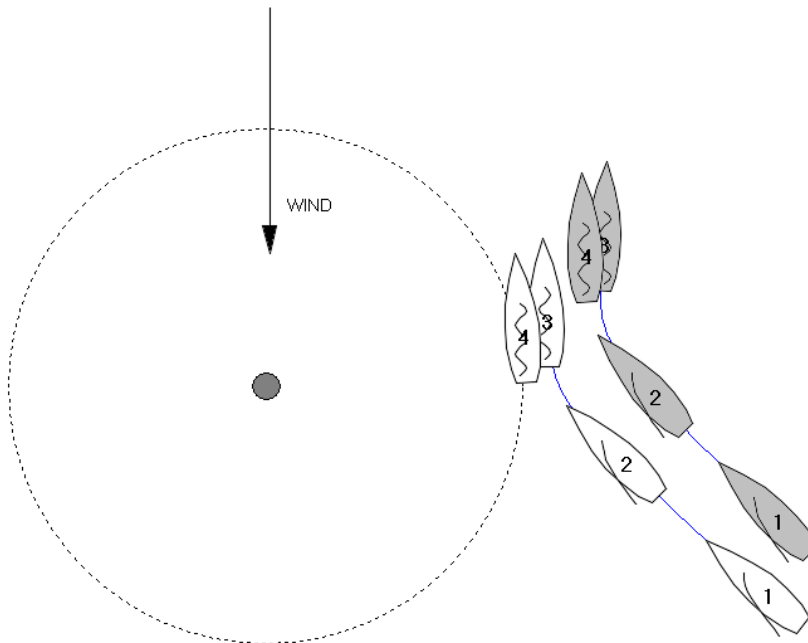


## ISAF RAPID RESPONSE MATCH RACING CALL 2008/002

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**Rule 18.1 Rounding and Passing Marks and Obstructions: When This Rule Applies**

**Rule 18.2(a) Rounding and Passing Marks and Obstructions: Giving Room; Keeping Clear**



### Question

Yellow and Blue are approaching the windward mark overlapped and slightly above the layline. Rule 17.1 does not apply.

Yellow luffs Blue head to wind before the boats reach the two-length zone and the boats remain almost stationary for a while, outside the zone. Yellow then starts drifting sideways and then drifts into the zone. There is a Y-flag from Blue. What should the call be?

### Answer

The moment any part of Yellow's hull gets into the two-length zone, she immediately becomes 'about to round or pass the mark' and, because the boats are still overlapped, must give Blue room to pass inside her. (See also ISAF Case 84 and UMP 24)

Provided Yellow immediately starts maneuvering to bear away and give Blue room at the mark, no rule is broken. Display the green and white flag.

If Yellow fails to bear away or give room, she breaks rule 18.2(a). Penalize Yellow.

*This call is valid until 1 January 2009*