

RACING RULES COMMITTEE



A MEETING WAS HELD AT 1000 – 1800 HOURS ON MONDAY 10
NOVEMBER 2003 AT THE PALACIO DE CONGRESOS, BARCELONA, SPAIN

Please refer to the ISAF Council minutes of 14-15 November 2003 for the final Council decision on all recommendations and opinions contained within these minutes.

Present

David Tillett – Chairman
William Bentsen – Vice Chairman
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Carlos Diehl
Kamen Fillyov
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Tony Mooney
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Bryan Willis

Apologies: Hans-Kurt Andersen

MINUTES

1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

- (a) The minutes of the Racing Rules Committee meeting of Tuesday 12 November 2002 were noted.
- (b) Matters arising from 2002 Minutes.

Sub. No.	Sub. from	Affecting rule	Recommendations to Council
163-02	RYA	J	Change J1.1(4) to read as follows: (4) the classes to race, any handicap system that will be used and the classes to which it will apply, conditions of entry and any restrictions on entries; Add new rule J2.1(8) as follows, and change the number current J2.1(8) to J2.1(9): (8) the handicap system to be used, if any, and the classes to which it will apply;
165-02	USSA	K & KE	K 10 and KE 13 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS The following areas are designated as obstructions: _____ .

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			[Marginal note] Describe each area by its location and any easily recognized details of appearance.
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2. ITEMS DEFERRED FROM NOVEMBER 2000, 2001 & 2002

Sub. No.	Sub. from	Affecting rule	Recommendations to Council
152-00	ROC	D2.3	Approval not recommended – incorporated in part in 139-03.
133-00 & 122-01	NSF ISF	16.2	See 086-03.
059-01	USSA	18.2(d)	Accepted in 2002 - recommended editing: Begin the rule with: 'When after the starting signal rule 18 applies'
065-01	RYA	61.1	Accepted 2002 - recommended simplification: 61.1 Informing the Protestee (a) A boat intending to protest shall inform the other boat at the first reasonable opportunity. When her protest concerns an incident in the racing area that she is involved in or sees, she shall hail 'Protest' and conspicuously display a red flag at the first reasonable opportunity for each. She shall display the flag until she is no longer <i>racing</i> . However, (1) if the other boat is beyond hailing distance, the protesting boat need not hail but she shall inform the other boat at the first reasonable opportunity; (2) if the hull length of the protesting boat is less than 6 metres, she need not display a red flag; (3) if the incident results in damage or injury that is obvious to the boats involved and one of them intends to protest, the requirements of this rule do not apply to her, but she shall attempt to inform the other boat within the time limit of rule 61.3.
067-01	RRCWP	69.1	Accepted in 2002 – in response to Council comments the following is recommended: Wording for rule 69.1(b)(2) was approved in 2002. The final sentence makes the treatment of this rule

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			<p>consistent with rule 2 and other rules listed in rule 88.3(b).</p> <p>Change rule 69.1(b)(2) as follows: Impose a penalty by excluding the competitor and, when appropriate, disqualifying a boat, from a race or the remaining races or all races of the series, or by taking other action within its jurisdiction. A disqualification under this rule shall not be excluded from the boat's series score.</p> <p>Change rule 88.3(b) as follows: When a scoring system provides for excluding one or more race scores from a boat's series score, the score for disqualification under rule 2, rule 30.3's next-to-last sentence, rule 42 if rule 67, N2.2 or N2.3 applies, or rule 69.1(b)(2) shall not be excluded. The next-worse score shall be excluded instead.</p> <p>Revise rule A11 as follows: DSQ Disqualification [no change] DNE Disqualification (other than DGM) not excludable under rule 88.3(b) DGM Disqualification under rule 69.1(b)(2); not excludable</p>
082-02	Executive	Redress	See Agenda Item 12(c).
095-02	RYA	New Case	Accept - the case to be edited and revised by the Case Book WP. However, the WP is directed to consider whether the racing rules as revised for 2005 make the case unnecessary. If so the WP is to recommend reconsideration.
097-02	SSF	Call MR 10	Accepted – no further action necessary.
099-02	ROC	Call UMP 26	Incorporated into Call UMP 26.
Call (SP)	MTRRWP	Call Ref 2002/001	Incorporated into Call UMP 26.
111-02	USSA	18.1(b)	Accepted in 2002 – recommended revision: Change rule 18.1(b) to say: (b) between boats on opposite <i>tacks</i> , either on a beat to windward or when the <i>proper course</i> for one of them, but not both, to round or pass the <i>mark or obstruction</i> is to tack.
112-02	SSF	18.1(b)	Incorporated in 111-02 above.
113-02	CYA	18.2(c)	Accepted in 2002 – recommended revision: Change rule 18.2 (c) to say: (c) NOT OVERLAPPED AT THE ZONE

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			If a boat is <i>clear ahead</i> at the time she reaches the <i>two-length zone</i> , the boat <i>clear astern</i> shall thereafter <i>keep clear</i> . If the boat <i>clear astern</i> becomes <i>overlapped</i> outside the other boat she shall also give the inside boat <i>room</i> . If the boat <i>clear astern</i> becomes <i>overlapped</i> inside the other boat she is not entitled to <i>room</i> . If the boat that was <i>clear ahead</i> passes head to wind, rule 18.2(c) no longer applies and remains inapplicable.
115-02	RYA	18.2(c)	Approval not recommended – 113-02 preferred.
120-02	RYA	19.3 (new)	Accepted in 2002 – now recommend this acceptance be rescinded in favour of 094-03.
127-02	ROC	28.1 Appendix C	Recommend that this not be applied only to Appendix C and that rule 28.1 be revised as follows: 28.1 A boat shall <i>start</i> , leave each <i>mark</i> on the required side in the correct order, and <i>finish</i> , so that a string representing her wake after <i>starting</i> and until <i>finishing</i> would when drawn taut pass each <i>mark</i> on the required side and touch each rounding <i>mark</i> . She may correct any errors to comply with this rule. After <i>finishing</i> she need not cross the finishing line completely.
130-02	RYA	30.1	Approval not recommended – accept 131-02 as modified.
131-02	RYA	30.1	Accept - revised as follows: If flag I has been displayed, and any part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line or its extensions during the minute before her starting signal, she shall thereafter sail from the course side across an extension to the pre-start side before <i>starting</i> .
133-02 (&135-02)	RYA USSA	33	Accept and when combined with 135-02 recommended wording is: 33 CHANGING THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE The race committee may change a leg of the course that begins at a rounding <i>mark</i> by changing the position of the next <i>mark</i> (or the finishing line) and signalling all boats before they begin the leg. The next <i>mark</i> need not be in position at that time. (a) If the direction of the leg will be changed, the signal shall be the display of flag C with repetitive sounds and either (1) the new compass bearing or (2) a green triangular flag or board for a change to starboard or a red rectangular

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			<p>flag or board for a change to port.</p> <p>(b) If the length of the leg will be changed, the signal shall be the display of flag C with repetitive sounds and a '-' if the leg will be shortened or a '+' if the leg will be lengthened.</p> <p>(c) Subsequent legs may be changed without further signalling to maintain the course shape.</p> <p>Related recommendation: Delete rule J2.2(23) and replace with: 'any special procedures or signals for changing the position of a <i>mark</i> after the start;'</p>
134-02	ROC	33 (new)	<p>Principle accepted 2002 – recommend the following changes to rule 32, rather than introducing a new rule 33:</p> <p>32 SHORTENING OR ABANDONING AFTER THE START</p> <p>32.1 After the starting signal, the race committee may <i>abandon</i> the race (display flag N, N over H, or N over A, with three sounds) or shorten the course (display flag S with two sounds), as appropriate,</p> <p>(a) because of an error in the starting procedure, (b) because of foul weather, (c) because of insufficient wind making it unlikely that any boat will <i>finish</i> within the time limit, (d) because a <i>mark</i> is missing or out of position or (e) for any other reason directly affecting the safety or fairness of the competition,</p> <p>or may shorten the course so that other scheduled races can be sailed.</p> <p>However, after one boat has sailed the course and <i>finished</i> within the time limit, if any, the race committee shall not <i>abandon</i> the race without considering the consequences for all boats in the race or series.</p> <p>32.2 If the race committee signals a shortened course (displays flag S with two sounds), the finishing line shall be,</p> <p>(a) at a rounding <i>mark</i>, between the <i>mark</i> and a staff displaying flag S. (b) at a line boats are required to cross at the end of each lap, that line. (c) at a gate, between the gate <i>marks</i>.</p>

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			<p>Race Signals, S: Delete the existing two paragraphs of text and replace with 'The course has been shortened. Rule 32.2 is in effect.'</p> <p>Rule 27.1: Delete ' , signal that a designated short course will be used (display flag S with two sounds),'</p> <p>Appendix K, paragraph 12.2: Delete paragraph 12.2.</p>
135-02	USSA	33	Accept - is combined with 133-02 above.
136-02	RYA	34	<p>Accepted in 2002 – recommended revision:</p> <p>34 MARK MISSING</p> <p>If a <i>mark</i> is missing or out of position, the race committee shall, if possible,</p> <p>(a) replace it in its correct position or substitute a new one of similar appearance, or</p> <p>(b) substitute an object displaying flag M and make repetitive sound signals.</p>
138-02	President	42.2	See Agenda Item 8.
139-02	President	42.2	See Agenda Item 8.
140-02	JSF	42.2	See Agenda Item 8.
150-02	CYA	86.1(a)	Approval not recommended – no further action recommended.
158-02	ROC	C	Accepted in 2002 – incorporated into 137-03.
159-02	ROC	C	Accepted in 2002 – no further action necessary.
160-02	SSF	C2.6	Rejected in 2002 – incorporated into 136-03.
161-02	SSF	C	Approval not recommended.
168-02	ROC	KE	<p>Accept for K 10.4 and KE 13.4 edited as follows (renumber accordingly):</p> <p>If any part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line during the two minutes before her starting signal, the race committee will display flag V. It will be displayed until all boats have sailed completely to the pre-start side, but not after the starting signal.</p> <p>(OR)</p> <p>If any part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line during the two minutes before her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to broadcast her sail number on VHF channel ____.</p> <p>Failure to make a broadcast or to time it accurately</p>

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			will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a). Marginal note: Insert the channel number.
169-02	ROC	KE	See 079-03.
170-02	ROC	N – Rule 42	See Agenda Item 8.

3. 2003 PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE RACING RULES OF SAILING AND THE APPENDICES

The following submissions were considered and recommendations were made to Council:

Sub. No.	Sub. from	Affecting rule	Recommendations to Council
003-03	President	86.3	<p>Accept modified as follows:</p> <p>Rule 86.2 In exception to rule 86.1, the ISAF may in limited circumstances (see ISAF Regulation 31.1.3) authorize changes to the racing rules for a specific international event. The authorization shall be stated in a letter of approval to the event organizing authority and in the notice of race and sailing instructions, and the letter shall be posted on the event's official notice board. [renumber current 86.2 to become 86.3]</p> <p>Note: Rules J1 and J2 will be expanded accordingly.</p> <p>Regulation 31.1.3: In exception to Regulation 31.1.1, the ISAF Executive Committee, after consulting with the chairman of the ISAF Racing Rules Committee, may authorize changes to the racing rules for a specific international event, provided such changes are of clear necessity or pressing importance. Any action taken under this regulation shall be reported at the time by the ISAF Secretariat to the ISAF Council and Member National Authorities.</p>
075-03	Chairman	Sportsmanship and the Rules	<p>Accept first alternative.</p> <p>Resultant changes are necessary as follows:</p> <p>31.2 A boat that has broken rule 31.1 may, after getting well clear of other boats as soon as possible, take a penalty by promptly making one complete 360° turn including one tack and one</p>

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			<p>gybe. When a boat takes the penalty after touching a finishing <i>mark</i>, she shall sail completely to the course side of the line before <i>finishing</i>. However, if a boat has gained a significant advantage in the race or series by touching the <i>mark</i> her penalty shall be to retire.</p> <p>44.1 Taking a Penalty A boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 while <i>racing</i> may take a penalty at the time of the incident. Her penalty shall be a 720° Turns Penalty unless the sailing instructions specify the use of the Scoring Penalty or some other penalty. However, if she caused serious damage or gained a significant advantage in the race or series by her breach her penalty shall be to retire.</p> <p>Appendix K 13.3 A boat that has taken a penalty under rule 31.2 or 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgement form at the race office within the protest time limit.</p>
076-03	IECA	1.3	Approval not recommended – unnecessary.
077-03	Chairman	Preamble to Part 2	Accept first alternative with square brackets removed, retaining the text.
078-03	RYA	Definition	<p>Accept modified as follows:</p> <p><i>Clear Astern and Clear Ahead; Overlap</i> One boat is <i>clear astern</i> of another when her hull and equipment in normal position are behind a line abeam from the aftermost point of the other boat's hull and equipment in normal position. The other boat is <i>clear ahead</i>. They <i>overlap</i> when neither is <i>clear astern</i>. However, they also <i>overlap</i> when a boat between them <i>overlaps</i> both. These terms do not apply to boats on opposite <i>tacks</i> unless rule 18 applies.</p>
079-03	ROC	<i>Start</i> and OCS	Approval not recommended – Appendix KE to be changed to provide for these alternatives.
080-03	IECA	Outside Help definition	Approval not recommended.
081-03	USSA	Terminology	Accept – modify addition to read: 'Boat' means a sailboat and the crew on board.
082-03	USSA	<i>Start</i> and 29	Accept.
083-03	SSF	Part 2 preamble and 36	Approval not recommended.
084-03	RYA	13	Approval recommended modified as follows: After a boat passes head to wind, she shall <i>keep</i>

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			<i>clear</i> of other boats until she is on a close-hauled course. During that time rules 10, 11 and 12 do not apply. If two boats are subject to this rule at the same time, the one on the other's port side or the one astern shall <i>keep clear</i> .
085-03	FA de Y	16.2	See 086-03.
086-03	USSA	16.2	<p>Approval not recommended. Committee reaffirmed its previous decisions to delete rule 16.2. The vote was 10 in favour, 4 against and 2 abstained.</p> <p>In the event that a rule 16.2 is still considered by Council to be necessary, 086-03 is recommended, modified as follows:</p> <p>In addition, when after the starting signal a <i>port-tack</i> boat is <i>keeping clear</i> by sailing to pass astern of a <i>starboard-tack</i> boat, the <i>starboard-tack</i> boat shall not change course if as a result the <i>port-tack</i> boat would immediately need to change course to continue <i>keeping clear</i>.</p>
087-03	RYA	17.1	Approval not recommended – unnecessary and creates undesirable game changes.
088-03	RYA	18.1(b)	Approval not recommended – it creates undesirable game changes.
089-03	RYA	18.2(e)	Approval not recommended – unnecessary and complicated.
090-03	USSA	18.1	Accept alternative 1.
091-03	USSA	18.1(b)	Accept.
092-03	USSA	18.2(a), (b), (c)	Approval not recommended – prefer present rule presentation.
093-03	USSA	18.2	Accept.
094-03	Chairman	19.1	Accept.
095-03	RYA	22.2	<p>Accept – 22.2 modified as follows:</p> <p>22.2 A boat shall not change course only to interfere with a boat</p> <p>(a) on another leg of the course or</p> <p>(b) making a penalty turn.</p> <p>Editing may be necessary.</p>
096-03	USSA	26	Approval not recommended.
097-03	USSA	30.3	Accept.
098-03	ROC	30.3	Accept – change 'When' to 'If'.
099-03	IECA	41	Approval not recommended – see 101-03.
100-03	ROC	41 & Appendix K	Approval not recommended. See 101-03 and 168-02.
101-03	USSA	41	<p>Accept 41.1 as 41 modified as follows:</p> <p>Alter (d) to read:</p> <p>(d) help in the form of information freely available to all boats;</p>

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			<p>(e) unsolicited information from a disinterested source, which may be another boat in the same race.</p> <p>Approval of 41.2 not recommended.</p>
102-03	Chairman	42.2 & 42.3	<p>Accept as follows:</p> <p>Change 42.2(a) to read:</p> <p>(a) pumping: repeated fanning of any sail either by pulling in and releasing the sail or by vertical or athwartships body movement;</p> <p>(b) rocking: repeated rolling of the boat, induced by</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) body movement, (2) repeated adjustment of the sails or centreboard, or (3) steering; <p>Insert new 42.3(a):</p> <p>42.3(a) A boat may be rolled to facilitate steering. [42.3(a) – (d) to be renumbered accordingly.]</p>
103-03	RFEV	42	Approval of either alternative not recommended – each class should determine its own position.
104-03	USSA	42.2 & 42.3	<p>Accept with following changes:</p> <p>42.2</p> <p>(d) sculling: repeated forceful movement of the helm;</p> <p>42.3</p> <p>(c) When a boat is above a close-hauled course and either stationary or moving slowly, she may scull to turn to a close-hauled course.</p>
105-03	USSA	42.3(a)	Approval not recommended.
105A-03	President	42	Approval not recommended – however a standard class rule should be drawn up for classes to adopt, allowing each class to determine its own wind speed.
106-03	Chairman	Damage or injury	<p>Accept and change as follows:</p> <p>Rule 14(b) use 'damage or injury'.</p> <p>Rule 44.1 use 'injury or serious damage'.</p> <p>Rule 60.3(a)1 use 'injury or serious damage'.</p> <p>Rule 61.1(a)3 use 'damage or injury'.</p> <p>Rule 62.1(b) use 'injury or physical damage'.</p> <p>Rule 63.5 use 'injury or serious damage'.</p> <p>Rule 64.3(a) retain 'damage' as it refers to boat only.</p> <p>Appendices</p> <p>C6.2(a) use 'damage or injury' since it refers to rule 14.</p> <p>C6.6(c) use 'damage or injury' since it also refers to rule 14.</p>

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			<p>D1.2(b) use 'A boat damaged or a crew member injured by a team-mate boat is not eligible for redress based on that damage or injury.'</p> <p>D2.1(b) use 'damage or injury' since it refers to rule 14.</p> <p>D2.2(e) use 'damage or injury',</p> <p>D3.1(b) use 'damage or injury',</p> <p>E5.9 retain 'damaged' as it refers to boat only.</p> <p>K18.2 retain 'damaged' as it refers to boat only.</p> <p>K26 retain 'material damage or personal injury' as it refers to disclaimer of liability.</p> <p>KB4.4 retain 'damage' as it refers to boat only.</p>
107-03	RYA	60.2 & 60.3	Acceptance not recommended. Change title of rule 60 to: RIGHTS TO PROTEST, REQUEST REDRESS; RULE 69 REPORTS Editing may be necessary.
108-03	FA de Y	61.1(a)	Approval not recommended.
109-03	RYA	62.1(a)	Approval not recommended.
110-03	USSA	62.1	Accept.
111-03	RYA	63.1	Accept.
112-03	USSA	63.5	Approval not recommended.
113-03	Executive	Arbitration – Mediation	Acceptance not recommended for 2005 rule book. Encourage MNAs to experiment and report back to ISAF. Leave in Judges Manual and on ISAF website.
114-03	USSA	63.7 (new)	Accept.
115-03	FYA	64.1(a)	Approval not recommended.
116-03	RYA	69	Accept modified as follows: Add to first line of 69.1(a) after 'report received': 'from any source'.
117-03	USSA	69.1(d)	Accept – modified by altering beginning wording to 'If there is good reason for the competitor not to attend ...'.
118-03	KNWV	70	Accept – editing may be necessary.
119-03	USSA	70	Accept.
120-03	RYA	71.2	Accept – editing may be necessary.
121-03	KNWV	71.5	Accept – editing may be necessary.
122-03	Executive	75.1(a) & (c)	Accept.
122A-03	President	Retiring	Problems recognized - sailing instructions to be drafted for Appendix KE.
123-03	ROC	75.3	Approval not recommended.
124-03	Chairman	86.1(a) & (c)	Approval not recommended.
125-03	FIV	86.1(b) & (c)	Approval not recommended.

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126-03	RYA	87.1(c)	Approval not recommended – not required.
127-03	FA de Y	88.3(a)	Accept – WP to edit.
128-03	IYA	Appendix A	Approval not recommended – not necessary.
129-03	RYA	A2.2	Accept – WP to edit to include additional provisions such as for an abandoned race and rule 42. Also consider location of the suggested clause.
130-03	USSA	A3	Accept.
131-03	RYA	A4.2 & A5	Approval not recommended – undesirable.
132-03	ROC	A5.2	Approval not recommended – see 122A-03.
133-03	IFWC	Appendix B	<p>Basic idea of submission is accepted to include all windsurfing disciplines in Appendix B. Council is requested to extend the deadline for finalizing Appendix B from 1 May 2004 to 1 December 2004 so that proper consideration can be given to this proposal. The appendix would be published separately as a supplement to the rule book.</p> <p>This would result in the revised appendix being available for implementation 1 January 2005.</p> <p>The Racing Rules Committee requests that it have broad authority to rearrange and rewrite the draft of Appendix B contained in the submission, in consultation with representatives of the Windsurfing Committee.</p>
134-03	IFC & IRC	Expand Appendix B	See 133-03.
135-03	Chairman	C2.13	Accept – editing may be necessary.
136-03	Chairman	C2.6	Accept.
137-03	Chairman	C5(c)	<p>Accept – modified by adding the proposal as a new paragraph at C6.5 as follows:</p> <p>C6.5 Umpire Decisions</p> <p>After flag Y is displayed, the umpires shall decide whether to penalize any boat. They shall signal their decision in compliance with rule C5(a), (b) or (c).</p> <p>The red flag penalty in C5(c) will be used when a boat has gained control as a result of breaking a rule, but the umpires are not certain that the conditions for an additional umpire initiated penalty have been fulfilled.</p>
138-03	RYA	C6.4(a)	Accept.
139-03	Chairman	Appendix D	Accept – will require editing when the 2005 RRS are finalized.
140-03	CSF	E1.2	Accept – WP to edit.
141-03	CSF	E4.5	Accept – WP to edit.
142-03	CSF	E4.7(a)	Accept – WP to edit.

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143-03	CSF	E5.2	Approval not recommended.
144-03	CSF	E6(b), E6(c) to (e)	Accept – WP to edit.
145-03	KNWV	Appendix F	Accept – WP to have broad authority, evaluate and edit.
146-03	RYA	F4	Accept – WP to edit.
147-03	USSA	K10.1	Accept.
148-03	ROC	K	Approval not recommended.
149-03	USSA	K12.3	Approval not recommended.
150-03	ROC	K5.4	Approval not recommended.
151-03	ROC	M1 & M3	Accept.
152-03	Chairman	N2.3	Accept principle – options to be provided in Appendix K and KE.
153-03	Executive	Appendix P	Not recommended for 2005 RRS. Needs further work such as limitations, if any, on fleet size, boat size, judge/competitor ratio etc. Encourage further experiment by placing recommended standard instructions on the web and by deleting 'in local races' in rule 86.2(a). A WP to be formed by the ROC and RRC chairmen to review for latest developments prior to posting on the web.
154-03	Chairman	NOR Guide	Accept – provide for regular changes on the web.
168-03	Chairman	Regulation 20.2.1	Accept.

4. THE CASE BOOK

The following submissions were considered and recommendations made to Council:

Sub. No.	Sub. from	Affecting rule	Recommendations to Council
155-03	IECA	Case 100	Approval not recommended.
156-03	USSA	New Case	Accept – CBWP to edit.
157-03	USSA	New Case	Approval not recommended.
158-03	Chairman	Interpretations of Rule 42	Approval not recommended. Add note to rule 42 referring to ISAF website for interpretations.
159-03	CYA	New Case	Approval not recommended – not a case.
160-03	HKYA	New Case	Approval not recommended.
161-03	RYA	New Case	Approval not recommended – better handled in sailing instructions.
162-03	RYA	New Case	Approval not recommended. Decisions of national authority cases may vary from one MNA to another.

5. THE CALL BOOKS FOR MATCH RACING AND TEAM RACING

The following submissions were considered and recommendations made to Council:

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163-03	Chairman	New Call	Accept.
164-03	Chairman	Call Ump 35	Accept.
165-03	Chairman	Call Ump 33	Accept.
166-03	Chairman	Call MR 38	Accept question 1, not question 2.
167-03	Chairman	Call M6	Accept.

6. RACING RULES COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- (a) The meeting scheduling of the Racing Rules Committee meetings and Working Party meetings were discussed and it was agreed that the Racing Rules Committee should preferably meet on Tuesday or Wednesday in the conference week.
- (b) The procedures regarding submissions/proposals from Racing Rules Committee and Working Parties were discussed and an explanation was given why the submissions from the Working Parties were made in the name of the Chairman.

7. EQUIPMENT RULES OF SAILING

	Sub. No.	Sub. from	Affecting rule	Recommendations to Council
(a)	049-01	RYA	ERS/RRS	This submission was withdrawn by the RYA at the 2002 mid year Council meeting.
(b)				The report from the Council Working Party referred to has not been received by the RRC.
(c)	184-03	USSA	ERS	Accept.
(d)	185-03	RYA	ERS/RRS	<p>Approval not recommended. The regulations give primary responsibility for the Racing Rules of Sailing to the Racing Rules Committee. A comparison of the terms of reference of the Racing Rules Committee and of the Measurement Committee makes this clear. Regulations 15.21.6(a), (b) and (c) refer.</p> <p>The RRC also suggest that the Constitution Committee be directed to review Regulation 32, Equipment Rules Administration, for the purpose of eliminating any conflicts between it and Regulation 15.14.8, the terms of reference of the Measurement Committee.</p>

8. RULE 42 WORKING PARTY

- (a) Submission 105A-03 was dealt with under agenda item 3.

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- (b) John Doerr, chairman, submitted a Rule 42 Working Party report to the Committee.
- (c) The following submissions were considered and recommendations made to Council:-

Sub. No.	Sub. from	Affecting rule	Recommendations to Council
090A-02	Executive	42	Accept.
090B-02	Executive	42	Approval not recommended.
091A-02	RFEV	42.2	Approval not recommended.
091B-02		42	Approval not recommended and request Council to rescind approval given in 2002. The technical committee proposed in submission 015-03 would be the appropriate committee to deal with this issue.
138-02	President	42.2	Approval not recommended for reasons given by the rule 42 WP.
139-02	President	42.2	Approval not recommended for reasons given by the rule 42 WP.
140-02	JSF	42.2	Approval not recommended – covered by 104-03.
170-02	ROC	N4	Approval not recommended – not necessary.

9. PLAIN ENGLISH

- (a) The Racing Rules Committee and Working Party received an example of 'Plain English' which if followed, would change the game in significant ways.

Sub. No.	Sub. from	Affecting rule	Recommendations to Council
(b) 074-03	YNZ	Plain English	Approval not recommended – inconsistent with accepted principles of style.

10. ANNUAL REPORT

The Committee noted that a draft annual report, covering the period 1 January to 31 December 2003, needs to be submitted by the Chairman of the Committee. The deadline for submitting the final Racing Rules Committee annual report is 23 January 2004.

11. RECOMMENDATIONS

The Chairman was authorized to finalize:

- (a) Recommendations to Council in November 2003 based on submissions received.

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- (b) Recommendations to Council in November 2003, not based on submissions received, which were either pending from previous Committee meetings or new items, deemed urgent and requiring an immediate Council decision.

12. OTHER UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- (a) RRC 2002 Minutes, Item 13.3

This informal report by ISAF, on the notice sent concerning the 2005 Rulebook, was not received by the Racing Rules Committee.

	Sub. No.	Sub. from	Affecting rule	Recommendations to Council
(b)	073-03	Chairman	2005 RRS production	Accept.
(c)	082-02	Executive	Redress	Approval not recommended. Experience in recent major events indicates that the number of requests for OCS has diminished significantly. A statement from the jury to competitors at recent major events such as the 2003 Athens Test Event and ISAF Olympic Classes World Championship has proven to be effective.

13. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Sub. No.	Sub. from	Affecting rule	Recommendations to Council
Appendices J K & L, new NOR guide & protest form.			The Racing Rules Committee recommend to Council that Appendices J, K and L, the new Notice of Race Guide appendix and the Protest Form be reviewed and revised by the Racing Rules Committee Working Party to be consistent with other changes to the Racing Rules of Sailing for 2005. These revisions will be submitted for comment to the Racing Rules Committee.