

New Regulation
Rule Compliance

A submission from the Executive Committee

PROPOSAL:

1. Yellow Flag Penalties

That a procedure be implemented to institute a control policy, which shall record the "Yellow Flag" penalties given during the regattas as listed in amended Regulation 18.12.3(a) and (b). RRS Appendix N will require additional wording to cover this procedure.

As soon as a competitor has been penalised under RRS42 and received three yellow flags penalties in two separate events that competitor will be ineligible to enter the forthcoming World, Continental Championships, European and Olympic Qualification Events.

This policy does not apply to Match and Team Racing.

The year starts from 1 January for recording yellow flags and being ineligible.

The detail how this policy will be monitored will be developed in conjunction with the Race Officials Committee and finalised by the ISAF Executive Committee

The final wording shall be added to Appendix N and an additional clause to be added to ISAF Regulation 19.4 to remove a competitor's eligibility.

2. Amend Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) Appendix N as follows:

N2 PENALTIES

N2.1 First Protest

When a boat is first protested under rule N1 she may acknowledge her breach by taking a 720° Turns Penalty under rule 44.2. If she fails to do so she shall be disqualified without a hearing.

N2.2 Second Protest

When a boat is protested a second time during the series, she ~~shall~~ may acknowledge her breach by taking a 720 turns penalty under rule 44.2. Dropping five places in the scoring of that race shall score her. ~~immediately retiring from the race. If she fails to do so she shall be disqualified without a hearing and her score shall not be excluded.~~

N2.3 Third Protest

On the third Yellow Flag, the boat takes the 720 turns and the boat's best race score in the series is replaced by DND. ~~When a boat is protested a third time during the series she may acknowledge her breach by immediately retiring from the race and from all other races in the series. If she fails to do so she shall be disqualified without a hearing from all races~~

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~~in the series, with no score excluded, and the protest committee shall consider calling a hearing under rule 69.1(a).~~

CURRENT POSITION AS AT NOVEMBER 2002:

There is no current position.

REASON:

The Penalties for breaking Racing Rules of Sailing, Rule 42 need to be reconsidered - extensive training of judges and umpires shall be undertaken.