

**REPORTING COMMITTEE – CENTREBOARD BOATS  
OTHER COMMITTEE –**

**Class Rule Changes**

A submission from the Byte Class

**PROPOSAL:**

- (a) Old Rule 8, “**PERMITTED DEVIATIONS FROM THE OFFICIAL DRAWINGS AND SPECIFICATIONS**”, which is a key section of the Rules, has been extracted from its original position and Rules 1 – 12 are now renumbered 1 - 11 and become Part 1 of the proposed new Byte Class Rules.
- (b) Old Rule 8 is now re-numbered Rule 12 and becomes Part 2 of the Rules.
- (c) The rule governing the CII is numbered Rule 13 and becomes Part 3 of the Rules.
- (d) Old Rule 13, Amendments, is re-numbered Rule 14 and becomes Part 4 of the Rules.

A copy of the proposed new Rules is attached separately and any changes, or additions, to the old rules are shown **bold and underlined** (attached where appropriate) an explanation of the changes follows.

**New Part 1 – Fundamental Rules**

The only change is to the old Rule 12 - now Rule 11- Advertising. The Appendix reference is changed to Appendix 1 to reflect the Appendix number change by ISAF when they brought down the final Advertising Code. (It used to be Appendix G). Sub-paragraphs a), b) and c) of the old rules, which allowed the Class to limit advertising, have now been removed because the concerns of the Class at the time of the original drafting of the Advertising Code are now adequately addressed in Appendix 1 and there are adequate provisions to limit advertising should the Class so wish to do so under ISAF RRS Appendix 1. Para 20.4.4. The Class originally elected to be a Category C Class but it was not implemented in the Rules.

**New Part 2 - Permitted deviations from the Official Drawings and specifications**

There are no changes

**New Part 3 – Byte CII Rig**

New Rule 13, the CII Rule, is all new and reflects the fact that racing is more than likely to continue in the Standard rig but that, at the end of the year; the Class must decide whether to recognize one rig or the other as the Championship rig or to set up a completely new Class like the Radial.

**New Part 4 - Amendments**

The approval procedure in old Rule 13 (b), now 14 (b), is changed to reflect 2/3rds of the Class Membership and not the very cumbersome method of 2/3rds of Districts voting at special meetings, which is almost impossible to administer. The new rule is lifted directly from Laser whose original Rule was the same as the present Byte one, (as the Byte was copied from it), but it obviously became unworkable for Laser as well.

## Measurement Diagrams

Diagrams remain unchanged except for the addition of the CII spar

### **CURRENT POSITION:**

As explained above.

### **REASON:**

The existing rules of the Class, which are simply numbered 1 to 13 inclusive, are being split into four parts for clarity in much the same manner that the Laser rules were split up when the Laser Radial and the 4.7 were introduced.