

Racing Rules of Sailing

Rule 54

A submission from the Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee

Proposal:

54 FORESTAYS AND HEADSAIL TACKS

Forestays and headsail tacks, except those of spinnaker staysails when the boat is not close-hauled, shall be attached approximately on a boat's centreline. Permanent forestays shall remain attached while racing.

Current Position:

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Reason:

Safety, especially under situations with a man overboard.