

The Call Book for Match Racing

New Match Racing Call

A submission from the Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee, after a proposal from the Match & Team Racing Rules Working Party

Proposal:

Add new call UMP 36 to the Call Book for Match Racing.

Call UMP 39

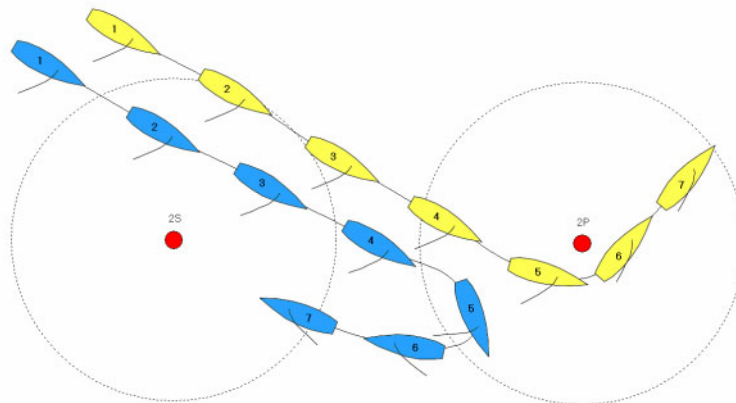
Rule 17.1 On the Same Tack; Proper Course

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

Rule 18.4 Gybing

Question 1

Does rule 17.1 apply at a leeward gate?



Answer 1

Yes. However, the umpires will take both marks into account when determining a boat's proper course.

Question 2

Does rule 18.4 apply at a leeward gate?

Answer 2

Yes. When approaching the gate, the boats are initially about to round Mark 2S, however, they could also have a proper course to round Mark 2P. If Blue gybes beyond her proper course to round Mark 2S before both boats are about to round Mark 2P, Blue breaks rule 18.4.

However, when the umpires decide both boats are about to round Mark 2P rule 18 ceases to apply to Mark 2S. Blue must give Yellow room at Mark 2P but is not obligated to pass the Mark. Blue breaks no rule when she gybes back toward Mark 2S.

Current Position:

ISAF Rapid Response Match Racing Call 2006/001

Reason:

Submitted in accordance with the procedures for Rapid Response Calls.

Some match racing events have started using a gate instead of a leeward mark and this has caused some rather complex rules situations and transitions. This call is recommended in order to get consistent umpiring when a gate is being used.