**Equipment Rules of Sailing**

**C.6.5(a) and (b) Series and Age Dates**

A submission from IRC

**Purpose or Objective**

To define Series and Age Dates.

**Proposal**

Insert new C.6.5

**C.6.5 Age**

(a) **AGE DATE**

The year in which the **boat** was first launched/certified, or the year in which the **boat** was re-launched/certified following **hull** shell modification, whichever is the later.

(b) **SERIES DATE**

The year in which the first **boat** of the class or production series was launched/certified.

**Current Position**

None.

**Reasons**

Rating Rules commonly include ‘age allowance’. ISAF Offshore Special Regulations also refer in many places to the age of a boat. Class rules on occasion permit ‘grandfathering’. Standard definitions of age would facilitate all of these.