

## Racing Rules of Sailing

### Definition Obstruction and Rule F20.1.(a)

A submission from the International Kiteboarding Association

#### Purpose or Objective

To apply the principle of “changing course of position of the kite” to obstructions

#### Proposal 1

Amend the first sentence of Appendix F Definitions – Obstruction as follows:

“An object that a kiteboard could not pass without changing **her** course **or position of her kite** substantially, if she were sailing directly towards it and 10 metres from it.”

#### Proposal 2

Change Rule 20.1.(a) as follows:

“she can avoid the obstruction safely without making a substantial **change of her** course **or position of her kite** ~~change~~”

#### Current Position

As above

#### Reason

In many rules for kiteboard racing the position of the kite is taking into consideration (as the sail = kite is separated several meters from the hull) and so should in the definition and rules about obstructions.

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