Racing Rules of Sailing

Submission: **141-12**

The Call Book for Team Racing – Amend TR Call M9

A submission from the Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee

Purpose or Objective

To comply with ISAF Regulations 28.3.1, 28.3.2, 28.3.4 and 28.3.7.

Proposal

TR CALL M9

Rule D2.2(a) Umpired Races
Rule D2.2(d)(3) D2.3(e) Penalties Initiated by Umpires
Rule D2.3(a) Single-Flag Protest Procedures

Question 1

Rule D2.3(a) Single-Flag Protest Procedure applies. There was an incident between boats B and Y. The umpires decided that Y broke a rule. B protested, but Y did not take a penalty. What should the call be?

Answer 1

If the umpires agree that there had been a valid protest, that Y broke a rule and that no boat had taken a penalty, they should penalize Y.

Question 2

If in the same situation Y acknowledged that she broke a rule and <u>clearly</u> signalled that she would take a voluntary penalty but failed to do so, what should the umpires do?

Answer 2

Answer 1 applies. No boat has taken a penalty and the umpires should penalize Y. In addition, because Because Y indicated that she would take a voluntary penalty and then did not, the umpires should consider signalling an additional penalty to Y under rule D2.3(e) D2.2(d)(3) for a breach of sportsmanship or report the incident to the protest committee under the first paragraph of rule D2.3 rule D2.2(d), or both. If the umpires decide to penalize, they should consider a penalty of one or more turns, in addition to the any penalty for breaking a rule.

Question 3

What should the call be if the umpires decided that B broke a rule?

Answer 3

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If in the same situation the umpires agreed that there had been a valid protest, that B broke a rule and that no boat had taken a penalty, they should penalize B.

In addition, if Y had <u>clearly</u> indicated that she would take a voluntary penalty but failed to do so, see answer 2.

Question 4

What should the call be if the situation was the same, but rule **D2.5**, **two-flag protest procedure**, **D2.2(a)** applied?

Answer 4

If B made the protest valid by in addition displaying a yellow flag and hailing 'Umpire', the call should be the same as in questions 1, 2 and 3.

If B only displayed a red flag and hailed 'Protest', the umpires should take no action with regard to the incident between the two boats. However, as Y indicated that she would take a voluntary penalty and then did not, see answer 2.

Question 5

What should the call be if there was an incident and no protest, but a boat indicated that she would take a voluntary penalty and then did not?

Answer 5

See answer 2.

Umpires should consider signalling an additional penalty to a boat if they agree that the boat had clearly stated an intention to take a penalty turn and then failed to do so.

Current Position

TR Rapid Response Call 2012.01 as above.

Reason

This new call replaces rapid response call 2012.001 and takes into account new rule D2.3(e) and other revisions to Appendix D. When a boat indicates that she will take a One-Turn Penalty and does not, umpires have disagreed on whether this is a breach of sportsmanship. New rule D2.3(e) allows the issue to be decided solely on the actions of the boat. The call provides guidance to umpires on when they should penalize a boat under this rule.