Racing Rules of Sailing

Rule 55

A submission from the Chairman of Racing Rules Committee

Purpose or Objective

To provide for discretionary penalties for RRS 55, Trash Disposal

Proposal

Change RRS 55 to:

A competitor shall not intentionally put trash in the water. Penalties for a breach of this rule shall be at the discretion of the protest committee.

Current Position

A competitor shall not intentionally put trash in the water.

Reason

1. The majority of sailing instructions include the provision for discretionary penalties for this rule as recommended by a number of MNAs. ISAF includes this provision for the Sailing World Cup. Including the provision in the rule avoids the need for sailing instructions to do so.