Racing Rules of Sailing

Rules 5, 6, 7, 80 and 84

A submission from the Board

Purpose or Objective

This submission has been recommended by the Racing Rules Committee Working Party.

For Proposal 1 and 2. To combine existing rules 5 [Anti-Doping], 6 [Betting and Anti-Corruption], 7 [Disciplinary Code] into one rule. To ensure officials are governed by the rules in the conduct and judging of the event, not just racing.

For Proposal 3 and 4. To make RRS 84 a fundamental rule to require Organizing Authorities and Officials to comply with the RRS and appropriate World Sailing Codes in the conduct of events.

Proposal 1

1. Amend the World Sailing Codes section of the Introduction as follows:

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These Regulations are referred to in the definition Rule but are not included in this book because they can be changed at any time. The most recent versions of the regulations are published on the World Sailing website [insert web address]; new versions will be announced through national authorities.

2. Amend Definition Rule (b) as follows:

(b) **World Sailing Regulations** which have been designated by World Sailing as having the status of a rule and which are published on the World Sailing website, World Sailing Advertising Code, Anti-Doping Code, Betting and Anti-Corruption Code, Disciplinary Code, Eligibility Code, Sailor Classification Code, respectively. Regulations 20, 21, 37, 35, 19 and 22;
3. Delete rules 5, 6, 7 and 80 and insert new rule 5:

5 WORLD SAILING REGULATIONS

5.1 Each competitor, boat owner and support person shall comply with the World Regulations found at [insert web address] which have been designated by World Sailing as having the status of a rule. These regulations as of 1 June 2020 include World Sailing Regulations which govern:

- Advertising
- Anti-Doping
- Betting and Anti-Corruption
- Disciplinary
- Eligibility
- Sailor Classification

5.2 Unless permitted by the Regulation concerned, an alleged or actual breach of a Regulation shall not be grounds for a protest and shall be dealt with in accordance with that Regulation. Rule 63.1 does not apply.

Reasons

1. Most of the words in current rules 5, 6 and 7 are repetitive.

2. As more Codes are brought into the rules there is a need to preserve rule numbers to avoid a major re-write.

3. New rule 5 permits the adoption of the Code of Ethics if so decided by the Board.

4. A breach of a Code by a competitor, support person or boat owner which is also misconduct will most dealt with under RRS 69. Note: These rules in the RRS apply only to competitors, support persons or boat owners. This is because the RRS, has no provision for dealing with breaches of codes by other persons such as officials and organizers. Such breaches are dealt with by the codes themselves or other mechanisms such as World Sailing Regulations, MNA or even Club procedures.

Proposal 2

Change rule 84 and move to rule 6 as follows:

84 6 GOVERNING RULES GOVERNING ORGANIZING AUTHORITIES AND OFFICIALS

The organizing authority, race committee, technical committee, protest committee and other race officials shall be governed by the rules in the conduct and judging of the event.

Current Position

As above
Reasons

1. The change of ‘races’ to ‘event’ is because the rules govern events, not just races.

2. The current rule 84 is very similar to rule 3 and is fundamental to the conduct of events. While it may be obvious that OA and officials must conduct events in accordance with the rules, sometimes it is helpful to state the obvious.

3. There have been incidents in the past when it has not been possible to bring OA or officials to account. This change makes it clear that the same standards are required of them as of competitors, support persons and boat owners. This is because the regulations are included in the definition of rules.

   An example would be an entry refused by an OA that is based on unacceptable discrimination. The entrant would request redress and that would be heard by the protest committee. They may refer to the Code of Ethics to find that the OA have acted improperly and give redress, requiring the OA to accept the entry. The protest committee may then report the actions of the OA as specified in the Code of Ethics.

4. RRS 6.1, ‘The Organizing Authority of the event’ is included as a body, in order that it becomes possible to sanction that body as a whole and not just the individuals representing it. This concept is not applicable to committees.

Proposal 3

Reorganise the rules in Part 1 to put like rules together as follows:

Rule 1 – Acceptance of the Rules
Rule 2 – Rules Governing OA and Officials
Rule 3 – Safety
Rule 4 – Fair Sailing
Rule 5 – Decision to Race
Rule 6 – World Sailing Regulations

Reasons

Renumbering the rules as proposed keeps like rules together and in a logical sequence.