Racing Rules of Sailing

Definition Proper Course

A submission from the Deutscher Segler-Verband

Purpose or Objective

To clarify the RRS definition of the term “Proper Course”.

Proposal

Proper Course  A course a boat would sail to finish as soon as possible in the absence of the other boats referred to in the rule using the term. A boat has no proper course before her starting signal.

Current Position

As above.

Reasons

The wording of the current definition does not reflect that a boats proper course depends from the direction to the next mark and not from the direction to the finishing line (see also Submission 123-14).