Racing Rules of Sailing

The Call Book for Match Racing, New Question Call UMP 18

A submission from the Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee

Proposal

Add Question & Answer 2 to current Match Racing Call UMP 18:

Question 2

Would the answer be different if Yellow was in the process of taking down the spinnaker?

Answer 2

No. A spinnaker in the process of being set or taken down is not "equipment in normal position" in the context of the definitions where this term is used.

Current Position

This is currently ISAF Rapid Response Match Racing Call 2009.002.

Reason

In match racing, a finish may include complex manoeuvring and spinnakers being hoisted or lowered, and it is highly undesirable for the race committee to have to judge whether a spinnaker is in its normal position or not when a boat finishes. There is a submission to change the Definition for match racing, however, until the changed definition can be included in Appendix C there is a need for this call to clarify the situation.