Racing Rules of Sailing

Appendix F Definition ‘Looping’ and F2.22.5

A submission from the Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee and the International Kiteboarding Association

Purpose or Objective

To resolve “looping kites” vs “downloop” versus “changing position of the kite”

Proposal

1. Delete Appendix F Definition "Looping"
2. Delete rule F2.22.5

Current Position

As above

Reasons

1. This submission resolves the question of whether a kite was looping or not and when does a loop start and when has it ended. Sailor could no longer say they were not looping and that their kite was just going up and down.

2. Looping (including a downloop) is covered by rule F2.16.1 “Changing position of the kite”, as any loop or downloop is automatically a change of position of the kite which requires a right of way kiteboard to give room to keep clear to a keep clear kiteboard. Therefore Def. Looping and Rule F2.22.5 have become redundant.