Racing Rules of Sailing

Appendix F Definition ‘Recovering’ vs ‘Capsized’ - Rule 23.2

A submission from the Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee

Purpose or Objective

To require a capsized kiteboard which is recovering to keep clear of other kiteboards

Proposal 1

Add new Appendix F Definition “Recovering” as follows:

Recovering A kiteboard is recovering from the time her kite is out of the water until she has steerage way.

Proposal 2

Amend Rule F2.23.2 as follows:

23.2 A kiteboard that is capsized or aground shall not interfere with another kiteboard recovering shall keep clear of other kiteboards.

Current Position

As above.

Reasons

1. Kiteboards are required to avoid (if reasonable possible) a kiteboard that is capsized. The current definition of capsized includes the competitor being disconnected from his hull – i.e. body-dragging to his board with the kite moving back and forth in the air.

2. The new definition and rule requires a “recovering” competitor to keep clear of other kiteboards once he regained control of the kite, relaunched it and attempts to restart.