Racing Rules of Sailing

The Call Book for Team Racing, New Call E9

A submission from the Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee

Proposal

Insert new Team Racing Call E9:

CALL E9

Rule 18.2 Giving Mark-Room
Definitions Mark-Room

Question

Boats A, X and B are approaching a mark overlapped, with A required to give mark-room to X and X required to give mark-room to B. Does rule 18.2 require A to give enough room to X to enable her to give mark-room to B before B is at the mark?

Answer

Yes.

Mark-room includes room to sail to the mark and, for X, sailing to the mark includes giving B mark-room. Therefore, rule 18.2 requires A to give X room to give B mark-room.

Room to sail to a mark includes room to give room to or keep clear of other boats if required by the rules to do so

Current Position

This is currently ISAF Rapid Response Team Racing Call 2009.001.

Reason

To clarify that the definitions Room and Mark-Room include room for the other boat to comply with the rules.