Racing Rules of Sailing

Rule 70.1(a)

A submission from the Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee

Purpose or Objective

To clarify the decision that a national authority may make on appeals

Proposal

To clarify that a protest committee decision not to re-open a hearing may be appealed.

70.1 (a) Provided that the right of appeal has not been denied under rule 70.5, a party to a hearing may appeal

(1) a protest committee’s decision or its procedures under rule 63 or 69

(2) a protest committee's decision under rule 64 or rule 69, but not the facts found unless rule 70.1(a)(3) also applies

(3) a protest committee's decision to refuse a request to reopen a hearing under rule 66 because there was no significant new evidence available within a reasonable time

Current Position

As above

Reasons

This submission arises from a Q&A that failed to get agreement of the panel. The decision based on no significant error is not needed as that is clear in 70.1(a)(1).