

Racing Rules of Sailing

Appendix E - Housekeeping

A submission from the Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee

Purpose or Objective

To implement several minor housekeeping changes.

This submission contains 10 independent proposals to change rules in Appendix E.

Proposal 1

Amend rule E2.1(a) as follows:

E2.1(a) Hailing Requirements

- (a) A hail shall be made **and repeated as appropriate** so that the competitors to whom the hail is directed might reasonably be expected to hear it.

If this proposal is approved, delete words about repeating a hail in rules E2.3, E3.5, E3.6, E5.1 and E6.3.

Proposal 2

Amend rule E3.1 as follows:

E3.1 Control Area

~~The sailing instructions may specify a control area; if not specified, it shall be unrestricted.~~

Unless the sailing instructions specify a control area, it shall be unrestricted.

Competitors shall be in this area when controlling boats that are racing, except briefly to handle and then release or relaunch the boat.

Proposal 3

Amend rule E3.2 as follows:

E3.2 Launching Area

~~The sailing instructions may specify a launching area and its use; if not specified it shall be unrestricted.~~ **Unless the sailing instructions specify a launching area and its use, it shall be unrestricted.**

Proposal 4

Amend rule E3.3 as follows:

E3.3 Course Board

~~The sailing instructions may require the course to be displayed on a board and, if so, the board~~ **When the sailing instructions require a course board to be displayed, it** shall be located in or adjacent to the control area.

Proposal 5

Amend rule E4.2(c) as follows:

E4.2(c) Outside Help

Rule 41 is changed to:

A boat or the competitor controlling her shall not receive help from any outside source, except

- (c) when the boat is ~~entangled, or she is aground~~ **disabled** or in danger, help from ~~a~~**the** race committee ~~vessel~~;

However, a boat that gains a significant advantage in the heat or race from help received under rule 41 may be protested and penalized; any penalty may be less than disqualification.

No changes to paragraphs (a) (b) (d) or (e).

Proposal 6

Amend rule E4.3(b) as follows:

E4.3(b) Taking a Penalty

Rule 44.1 is changed to:

A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2, or rule 31, in an incident while *racing*. However,

- (b) if the boat gained ~~a significant~~**an** advantage in the heat or race by her breach despite taking a penalty, her penalty shall be ~~an additional One Turn Penalty~~ **additional One-Turn Penalties until her advantage is lost;**

No other changes

Proposal 7

Amend rule E6.2 as follows:

E6.2 Protest for a Rule Broken by a Competitor

When a race committee, ~~or~~ protest committee **or technical committee** learns that a competitor may have broken a *rule*, it may protest the boat controlled by that competitor.

Proposal 8

Amend rule E6.4 as follows:

E6.4 Informing the Race Committee

A boat intending to protest or request redress about an incident ~~in the racing area or control area~~ **while racing** shall inform the race officer as soon as reasonably possible after *finishing* or retiring.

Proposal 9

Amend rule E6.4 as follows:

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A boat intending to protest or request redress about an incident in the racing area or control area shall inform the race ~~officer~~ **committee** as soon as reasonably possible after *finishing* or retiring.

Proposal 10

Amend rule E6.5 as follows:

E6.5 Time Limits

A *protest*, request for redress or request for reopening shall be delivered to the race ~~officer~~ **committee** no later than ten minutes after the last boat in the heat *finishes* or after the relevant incident, whichever is later.

Current Position

As above.

Reason

The above proposals clarify, simplify or correct rules that have been queried by competitors or officials during radio sailing events in recent years.
