

Racing Rules of Sailing

Change 42.2(d) and delete C2.13

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Purpose or Objective

To simplify the rules and make them consistent

Proposal

1. Change rule 42.2(d)

sculling: repeated movement of the helm that is either forceful or that propels **to propel** the boat forward or prevents her from moving astern

2. Delete rule C2.13

~~C2.13 Rule 42.2(d) is changed to: ‘sculling: repeated movement of the helm to propel the boat forward.’~~

Current Position

As above.

Reasons

1. Match racing rules should only differ from the fleet racing rules if there is a specific reason related to match racing to make a change
 2. C2.13 changes the definition of sculling for match racing
 3. RRS 42.3(f) is in contradiction with the last words of RRS 42.2(d) “prevents her from moving astern”. Rule 42.3(f) allows you, when sailing backward, to reduce your speed by moving the helm repeatedly, while rule 42.2(d) states that repeated movement of the helm to that prevents a boat from moving astern is a prohibited action.
 4. There is no specific reason related to match racing to have a different definition of sculling as for fleet racing.
 5. After deleting RRS 22.3, rule C2.9 for match racing is not necessary anymore.
 6. This simplifies the rules.
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