Racing Rules of Sailing

Rule L16

A submission from the Chairman of the Race Officials Committee

Purpose or Objective

To introduce the time limit to request a full panel required in N1.4(b) in the Sailing Instructions Guide.

Proposal

Insert new rule L16.10 as follows:

16.10 If N1.4(b) is applied, the time limit to request a panel composed in compliance with N1.1, N1.2 and N1.3 will be _____ minutes.

Current Position

None.

Reason

Rule N1.4(b) establishes that, if dissatisfied with a panel’s decision, a party is entitled to a hearing by a panel composed in compliance with rules N1.1, N1.2 and N1.3, except concerning the facts found, if requested within the time limit specified in the sailing instructions.

In the Sailing Instructions Guide there is no SI that mentions this rule, so when writing SIs this time limit is something that tends to be forgotten, resulting in changes to the SIs later. Including this new rule would help when writing SIs.