The Notice of Race is amended as set out in red text below:

**Section I – General**

6 **RULES**

6.1 (d) ISAF may, under RRS 86.2, approve changes to the racing rules for some or all of the Regional Finals and/or the Grand Final. In this event this Notice of Race will be amended with the details and the appropriate authorisation.

Under RRS 86.2, the Regional Finals and Grand Final will test a package of test rules proposed for match racing. See detailed wording for these rule changes in NOR Section V.

**Section III - F – Regional Final OCEANIA**

1 **ORGANISING AUTHORITY**

The Organising Authority (OA) is the Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron and Yachting Australia in conjunction with ISAF.
Section V – Package of Test Match Racing Rules

A. Add new RRS 7 to Part 1:

7 LAST POINT OF CERTAINTY

When there is doubt as to the relationship or change of relationship between boats, the last point of certainty will apply.

B. Delete RRS 18, C2.6 and C2.7 and replace with:

18 MARK ROOM

18.1 When Rule 18 Applies

Rule 18 applies between boats when they are required to leave a mark on the same side and at least one of them is in the zone. However, it does not apply between a boat approaching a mark and one leaving it.

18.2 Giving Mark-Room

(a) When the first boat reaches the zone,

(1) if boats are overlapped, the outside boat at that moment shall thereafter give the inside boat mark-room.

(2) if boats are not overlapped, the boat that has not reached the zone shall thereafter give mark-room.

(b) If the boat entitled to mark-room leaves the zone, the entitlement to mark-room ceases and rule 18.2(a) is applied again if required.

(c) If a boat obtained an inside overlap and, from the time the overlap began, the outside boat is unable to give mark-room, she is not required to give it.

18.3 Tacking or Gybing

When an inside overlapped right-of-way boat must tack or gybe at a mark to sail her proper course, until she tacks or gybes she shall sail no farther from the mark than needed to sail that course. Rule 18.3 does not apply at a gate mark.

C. Change definition of Mark-Room to:

Mark-Room Room for a boat to sail her proper course to round or pass the mark.

D. Add the following new rule:

C2.14 Rule 17 is changed to ‘After the starting signal, if a boat clear astern becomes overlapped within two of her hull lengths to leeward of a boat on the same tack, she shall not sail above her proper course while they remain on the same tack and overlapped within that distance, unless in doing so she promptly sails astern of the other boat.

This rule does not apply if the right-of-way boat is on a leg to a leeward mark or the finishing line, or if the overlap begins while

(a) the right-of-way boat is on a leg to a leeward mark,

(b) the windward boat is required by rule 13 to keep clear, or

(c) both boats are OCS.

ENDS

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