Racing Rules of Sailing

Protest Form

A submission from the Chairman of Racing Rules Committee

Purpose or Objective

To update the Protest Form to be consistent with the current RRS and practices

Proposal 1

Delete current Protest Form and replace with the attached Hearing Request form in pdf form for direct printing.

Current Position

As above

Proposal 2

To make a Word version of the form available with the facility to enter the event name and event logos on the World Sailing website and state in the RRS as follows:

A version of this form is available on the World Sailing website under Racing Rules.

Reasons

1 Many hearings are not ‘protests’, but the same form can be used to initiate all hearings or requests for hearings, including reports regarding support persons and misconduct. The title of the form should reflect this.

2 The current form only mentions ‘Boat’ protesting, requesting redress or re-opening, but the RRS provide for race, technical and protest committees to do so.

3 There is no provision on the form for the requestor of redress to state which committee made the error or omission.

4 There is only space on the form for one protestee.

5 Reports alleging a breach of rules by Support Persons, or misconduct need to be able to specify the individual.

6 The proposed form provides more space for writing if that is more appropriate than a diagram. It does lose the grid, but often diagrams do not use the grid correctly.
7 The current form does not provide a place for a request to withdraw.

8 The proposed new form, when started as a Word document, provides for the event name and logo to be added before printing, removing the need for the OA to be filled in each time.

Note: The draft forms are attached. If approved these forms will be improved in layout and graphics before inclusion in the RRS.
HR: PROTEST FORM and OTHER REQUESTS FOR ACTION BY THE PROTEST COMMITTEE

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<tr>
<th>Received Date:</th>
<th>Time:</th>
<th>By:</th>
<th>Protest Time Limit:</th>
<th>Case Number:</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1. Date of Race</td>
<td>Series:</td>
<td></td>
<td>Race Number:</td>
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2. TYPE of HEARING
   [ ] Request for reopening or rule N1.4(b) request
   [ ] Protest
   [ ] Report concerning a support person
   [ ] Request for Redress
   [ ] Report of misconduct (Rule 69)

3. MY DETAILS – The INITIATOR – the protestor, the person making the allegation, request or report
   Class/Fleet: Sail No/Boat Name: OR Committee:
   Represented By: Name: Telephone:

4. The RESPONDENT – protestee, committee for redress, support person, person reported for misconduct.
   Class/Fleet or Committee (for Redress) Sail No/Boat Name/Person’s Name Telephone (if known)

5. INFORMING the PROTESTEE – If you are protesting, how did you inform the other boat of your intention to protest?
   By hailing: [ ] Yes When? Words used? [ ] None
   Displaying Red Flag: [ ] Yes When? [ ] Not required [ ] No
   Informed some other way: [ ] Yes When, where and how? [ ] No

6. INCIDENT When and Where?
   Brief Description.
   Diagram (if relevant): Include wind and current.

   Rules alleged to be broken:

   Request to Withdraw:

Continue on the back of this form or other paper if necessary.