Racing Rules of Sailing

Rule E3.8

A submission from the Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee

Proposal

E3.8 Individual Recall

In rule 29.1 replace all after ‘the race committee shall promptly’ is replaced with ‘twice hail “Recall (sail numbers)” and repeat the hail as appropriate’.

Current Position

As above.

Reason

1. See the other submission proposing grammatical changes in Appendix E.

2. The current wording is restrictive and could allow a competitor to question the legitimacy of the race committee’s call if only made once or made more than twice. Often a competitor will acknowledge the infringement before the second call is made. Allowing the race committee to not make the second call frees them to resume watching other competitors. Further, there are often circumstances where the number of calls from different observers, for other infringements, could mask a competitor from hearing even two calls. Allowing the race committee to make sufficient calls and in a manner appropriate to the circumstances reduces the likelihood of competitor genuinely not being able to hear a call.