Racing Rules of Sailing

Rule E5.7

A submission from the Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee

Proposal

E5.7 Taking Evidence and Finding Facts

Add to The following is added at the beginning of rule 63.6. ‘Evidence about an alleged breach of a rule of Part 2, 3 or 4 given by a competitor shall be accepted only from a competitor who was within the control or launching area and whose boat was scheduled to race in the heat in which the incident occurred and, if a control area was in use, only if the competitor was in the control area.

Current Position

As above.

Reason

1. To place this addition to rule 63.6 in a logical sequence of events for taking evidence.

2. The IRSA submission for rule E3.3 allows for control areas to be defined only when appropriate, it is now necessary to provide for protests when no control area is defined and to restrict protests to within the control area when one is operative.

3. It is important for vantage points of incidents be similar. The submission for Rule E3.3 also allows for additional opportunities to leave the control area where the view from the vantage point may be greatly different from that in the control area.