Racing Rules of Sailing

New Rule X13.2

A submission from the International Kiteboarding Association

Purpose or Objective

Include necessary changes to the new kiteboarding Appendix X that are currently not part of it.

Proposal

Amend the new kiteboarding course racing rules Appendix (Appendix X13.2) as follows:

13.2 When sailing downwind, if one kiteboard is looping her kite or is changing tack and another is not, the kiteboard that is looping her kite or the kiteboard that is changing tack, until she is moving on the new tack, shall keep clear of the one that is not. During that time rules 10, 11 and 12 do not apply. If two kiteboards are looping their kites or changing tack at the same time, then the kiteboard required to keep clear under rule 10, 11 or 12 shall do so.

Current Position

As above.

Reasons

The above changes refer to the structure of the new kiteboarding Appendix X (or letter as found appropriate by the Racing Rules Working party).

Housekeeping. Gybing with kiteboards means flying the kite from one side of the wind-window to the other side of the wind-window, which takes up a lot of space and is comparable to the looping rule. Therefore the “looping-rule” should be extended to cover looping and gybing.