

Racing Rules of Sailing

New Team Racing Call

A submission from the Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee

Purpose or Objective

To comply with ISAF Regulation 28.3.7

Proposal

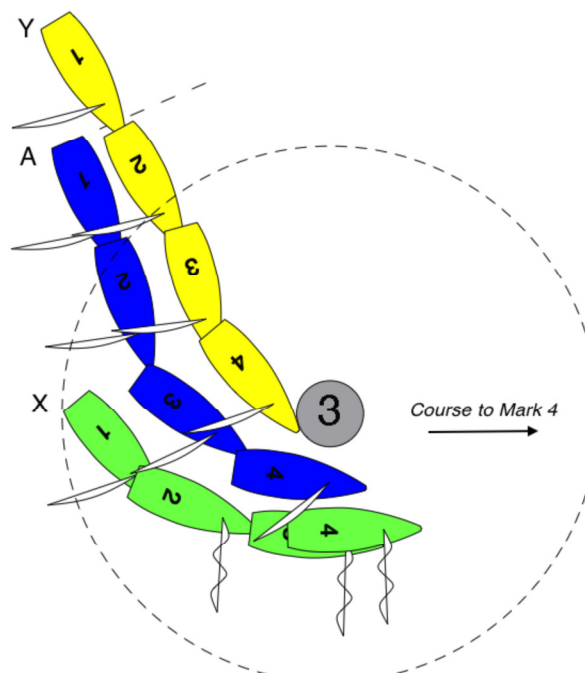
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Rule 18.2 **Giving Mark-Room**
Rule 19.2 **Giving Room at an Obstruction**
Rule 21 **Exoneration**

Question 1

X and Y are on the same team. X enters the zone at a leeward mark to be left to port clear ahead of A and Y. X slows down to leeward of the mark in an attempt to trap A outside of her and let teammate Y pass A. There is contact between all three boats and Y hits the mark. Y protests. What should the call be?



Answer 1

Penalize both A and Y.

A and Y are both required to give mark-room to X. A is also required to give mark-room to Y. When A and Y establish an inside overlap on X, they are in addition required to give X room to sail her proper course (see rule 18.2(c)(2)). At no time does X sail above her proper course. A fails to give X mark-room and also fails to give Y mark-room. Therefore, A breaks rule 18.2(b).

In addition, Y is required to give A room to pass between her and the obstruction, X. She fails to do so and breaks rule 19.2(b).

Question 2

If Y sails to the wrong side of the mark to give A room to pass between X and the mark, would the call be the same?

Answer 2

No. Penalize A only. A fails to give Y mark-room and breaks rule 18.2(b).

Current Position

Team Racing Rapid Response Call 2015/002, as proposal above.

Reason

This proposal resolves a perceived conflict between rules 18 and 19.
