The following Class Rule changes have been approved to be effective on the 30 March 2012.

1. Current Rule

4. ADDITIONAL RULES WHICH APPLY WHEN RACING
4.1 AT ALL TIMES WHEN RACING
(i) All covers to hatches and plugs to drainage holes shall be in place.
(ii) The mast heel adjuster setting shall not be altered.
(iii) The rudder blade shall be secured in the fully down position. However, the sailing instructions may prescribe an exception to this rule for racing in shallow water.
(iv) The following equipment shall be on board:
   (a) A personal flotation device for each crew member such as EN 393 or ISO 12402-5 (Level 50). Alternative or additional standards may be prescribed in the Notice of race or Sailing Instructions.
   (b) A hand bailer, if the boat has no self-bailer fitted.
   (c) A painter, of diameter not less than 6mm and length not less than 14m unless otherwise prescribed in the sailing instructions. The painter shall be of buoyant line having a nominal breaking-strain of not less than 450kg. The painter shall be secured around the mast at the deck ring.

Amended Rule: (add new rule)

5. ADITIONAL RULES WHICH APPLY WHILST AFLOAT
(a) In alteration to RRS 1.2 a Personal Flotation Device shall be worn at all times whilst afloat except while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. The Personal Flotation Device shall meet EN 393 or ISO 12402-5 (Level 50) standards. Alternative or additional standards may be prescribed in the NOR.
2 –Current Rule:

3.7.3.2 MATERIALS

(a) The body of the sail shall consist of the same woven ply throughout.

(b) The material of the headboard, if fitted, and the battens is not restricted.

(c) Sail reinforcement shall consist of woven ply.

3.7.3.3 CONSTRUCTION

(a) The construction shall be: soft sail, single ply sail

(b) The body of the sail and secondary reinforcement (excluding batten pocket patches and flutter patches) shall consist of the same woven ply throughout.

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Amended Rule:

3.7.3.2 MATERIALS

(a) The body of the sail shall consist of woven ply of the same specification throughout with the exception that the bottom panel that may be of woven ply of a different specification.

(b) Secondary reinforcements, excluding batten pocket patches and flutter patches, shall be of ply of the same specification as the ply used in the main part of the body of the sail.

(c) The material of the headboard, if fitted, and the battens is not restricted.

(d) Sail reinforcement shall consist of woven ply.

3.7.3.3 CONSTRUCTION

(a) The construction shall be: soft sail, single ply sail.

(b) Spare number

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(remaining points of rule 3.7.3.3 unchanged)