CLASS RULE CHANGES

International Flying Fifteen Class

The following amendments to the Class Rules have been approved to be effective 1st March 2002.

1 Rule B4 HULL MEASUREMENT and Rule B14 PROHIBITIONS

New:
B 4.6 The aft edge of the cockpit shall not be more than 1830mm nor less than 1540mm from the transom measured horizontally. The forward edge of the cockpit excluding the mast slot or fittings designed to locate the mast shall not be more than 3780mm nor less than 3630mm from the transom measured horizontally. The decks shall be constructed so as to locate the mast as provided in Rule B10. Spinnaker pockets and spinnaker chutes may be installed, provided they drain into the cockpit and/or overboard. Spinnaker pockets shall not start within 280mm of the sheerline and must be aft of the breakwater. Spinnaker chutes may be installed anywhere in the foredeck forward of station 2.

B 14.6 …….. Delete this rule.

2 B 10 MAST STEPPING

New:
B 10.1 The foreside of the mast spar at deck level shall not be more than 3850mm or less than 3695mm from the aft face of the transom measured horizontally.

4 B 12 MAST RIGGING AND FITTINGS

New:
B12.5 Adjustment of the spreaders or the length of the shrouds is prohibited whilst racing.
5 B13 SAILS

New:

B13.5.2 Mainsail
Tabling width...........40mm Maximum

B13.6.2 Headsail
Tabling width...........40mm Maximum

B13.7.2 Spinnaker
Tabling width...........40mm Maximum

6 SAILS

New:

B 13.5.2 Mainsail
Secondary re-inforcement
For flutter patches...........140mm

7 SAILS

New:

B13.8.2 Sail Limitations
(a) Registration
(i) Not one more than two mainsails, two headsails and two spinnakers shall be registered in the first twelve months. Thereafter not more than one mainsail, one headsail and one spinnaker shall be registered in each twelve month period commencing on the anniversary date on which the original measurement of the boat was completed, except that in the event of the change of ownership of the boat, one additional mainsail, one additional headsail and one additional spinnaker may be registered by the new owner in the corresponding twelve month period.

8 B8 WEIGHT

Proposed Rule

B 8.2 If the weight is less than defined, correctors, total weight not exceeding 21 kg, shall be through fastened and clearly visible within the cockpit area. Correctors may subsequently removed after a period of not less than one year from the original date of registration subject to the hull being presented for reweighing by a measurer in the same condition as for B8.1. Correctors may then be reduced in weight or removed and the new total weight of correctors shall be recorded on the certificate which must be ratified by the National Authority. Re-weighing and adjustment or removal of correctors may not take place within one year of previous weighing, except where substantial alterations to the hull are undertaken and the boat is completely remeasured in accordance with rule A5.
9 B14 PROHIBITIONS

New:

B 14.1

"Competitors shall use no device designed to position their bodies outboard other than stiffeners worn under the thighs, hiking straps and hobbles. Hiking straps and hobbles shall not extend outboard of the sheerline.

Any system attached to the crew shall have a quick release device capable of being operated whilst the system is under load."

10 B 9.5 MAST

New:

B 9.5 The weight of the mast, including normal permanent rigging and fittings, shall not be less than 10.5 kg.

11 B 17 ADVERTISING

New:

Delete current rules 17.1- 17.7 and replace with……

17.1 Advertising shall be in accordance with ISAF RRS Regulation 20 (Section II-Appendix 1)

17.2 Advertising shall be to Category C in accordance with Regulation 20.3.2 (b) , with the following restrictions:

(a) Additional advertising shall be restricted to not more than two additional advertisers.

(b) Advertising on hulls may be displayed over not more than 50% of the hull length.

(c) Advertising on spinnakers may be displayed without any additional restrictions.

(d) Advertising of one advertiser may be displayed on either the mainsail or the headsail and it may be on both sides of the sail. It shall have a width no greater than two-thirds of the length of the foot of the sail, and a height no greater than two-ninths the length of the foot of the sail. On the mainsail, it shall be placed below the national letters and sail numbers.
(e) Advertising of one advertiser may be placed on the mainmast and main boom, within one-third of the length of the mast, and two-thirds of the length of the boom.

Advertising is now covered by ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing, Section II Appendix 1, Regulation 20.
RRS 79 compels all classes to comply with this Advertising Code.

Variations to Regulation 20 by Class rules can only be endorsed if the Class chooses to apply Category C advertising (20.4.5), and includes such variations in their class rules.

This proposal amends the current rule to comply with the RRS, and maintains the limitations on advertising in line with the current rule.

12 B 13.3 SAIL IDENTIFICATION

New:  
B 13.3.1 The sail identification shall comply with RRS Rule 77.

B 13.3.3 ..........Delete this rule.

CHAMPIONSHIP REGULATIONS

13 5 Organisation & Responsibility

New:
The Organising Club should liaise with FFI, and at an early date to enable full discussion should that be necessary, before any irrevocable decisions have been taken, on such matters as:
Notice of Race, which shall include all items in RRS Appendix J, and details of proposed courses;
Programme;
Sailing Instructions;
Cost of Entry and Entertainment Tickets;
Sponsorship available through FFI and other sources.