

INTERNATIONAL MELGES 24 CLASS ASSOCIATION



The following amendments to the Class Rules have been approved to be effective 1st January 2007.

Rule C.2.1.7

Current Position: “Boats shall comply with any special requirements of the MNA under which racing is being held or those set by the club or local marine authority. Boats shall comply with any special requirements of the MNA under which racing is being held or those set by the club.”

Amendment: Delete the last sentence. C.2.1.7 now to read as follows:
“Boats shall comply with any special requirements of the MNA under which racing is being held or those set by the club or local marine authority. “

Rule C.3.7

Current Position: “A block may be added above the traveller cleat to assist tacking in light winds.”

Amendment: Amend sentence so the rule reads as follows:
“A block may be added above the traveller cleat, or the traveller may be rigged in such a way as to be able to use a windward sheeting system of optional design, except that the mainsheet shall still be attached to the traveller car in the standard way.”

Rule C.3.11

Current Position: *Not Applicable*

Amendment: New Rule to read as follows:
“Fairings of any material may be used over blocks on deck to assist in the free running of sheets and control lines.”

Rule C.3.20

Current Position: *Not Applicable*

Amendment: Insert new rule to read as follows:
“Non slip tape or similar non slip material may be applied to the decks, cockpit floor and gunwale edge as necessary.”

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Rule C.6.1.3

Current Position: *Not Applicable*

Amendment: Add new rule to read as follows:

“The spreaders shall be connected through the mast by a licensed manufacturers supplied spreader bar. This is part of the spreaders as per rule F.2.3.2. The spreader bar shall not be modified, or changed during a regatta.”

Rule C.6.1.4

Current Position: *Not Applicable*

Amendment: Add new rule to read as follows:

“The mast shall be stepped on the standard mast step. No wedges or similar devices shall be used to control or alter the rake or bend characteristics of the rig.”

Rule C.6.1.5

Current Position: *Not Applicable*

Amendment: Add new rule to read as follows:

“The mast shall be as supplied and assembled in accordance with the specification of the Licensed Manufacturer, except that small permanently attached shims may be used to correct misalignment.”

Rule C.6.3.3

Current Position: The bowsprit retraction line is optional. If not fitted, the bowsprit may be retracted by a knot in the spinnaker tack line. However, the requirements of class rule C.6.3.1.still apply.

Amendment: Add second sentence so rule now reads as follows:

“The bowsprit retraction line is optional. If not fitted, the bowsprit may be retracted by a knot in the spinnaker tack line. However, the requirements of class rule C.6.3.1.still apply. A second cleat may be added in the cockpit/deck for the tack line.”

Rule C.8.2 (iii)

Current Position: The cockpit may carry advertising chosen by the boat to a maximum length of 1.5m

Amendment: Amend the rule to read as follows:

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“The cockpit may carry advertising chosen by the boat and is unrestricted in length.”

Rule C.8.2 BOOM:

Current Position: Advertising chosen by the boat may be displayed on the boom. The maximum length of the adverts shall be 2.6m. Different advertisers may be on each side of the boom.

Amendment: Amend the rule to read as follows:

“Advertising chosen by the boat may be displayed on the boom. The length is unrestricted. Different advertisers may be on each side of the boom.”

Rule C.10.2

Current Position: “The boat shall fly the spinnaker at all times when the bowsprit is extended.”

Amendment: Delete the current rule and replace with the following new rule:

“When the bowsprit is extended the boat shall be in the process of a continuous hoist, or flying or dropping the spinnaker.”

Rule C.10.6

Current Position: “RRS 42.3 (b) is modified to allow the spinnaker sheet to be trimmed without restrictions in all conditions.”

Amendment: Modify reference to the RRS from RRS 42.3 (b) to RRS 42.3 (c) so the rule now reads as follows:

“RRS 42.3 (c) is modified to allow the spinnaker sheet to be trimmed without restrictions in all conditions.”

Rule C.10.7

Current Position: *Not Applicable*

Amendment: Insert new rule to read as follows:

“When hiking, the crews shall either sit in such a way that at least a part of the back of the thigh/buttocks is in contact with the deck or gunwale edge, kneel on the aft corner of the side deck or, stand with at least one foot on the cockpit floor.”

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Rule F.2.3.1

Current Position: The following are permitted: mast head (crane) fitting, backstay batten, wind vane, sheaves and sheave boxes, tangs, spreaders, spreader attachments, gooseneck, boom vang fitting, compass and brackets, protective cloth sleeves, vinyl tapes for mast bands, manufacturer labels, **certification mark**.

Amendment: Amend the rule to read as follows:

“The following are permitted: mast head (crane) fitting, backstay batten, wind vane, sheaves and sheave boxes, tangs and T ball sockets, spreaders, spreader attachments, gooseneck, boom vang fitting, halyard cleats and line stowage cleats, supplied mast foot, compass and brackets, mast alignment shim, protective cloth sleeves, tapes for **limit marks**, manufacturer labels, **certification mark**.”

Rule E.4.2.3

Current Position: *Not Applicable*

Amendment: New Section C rule to read as follows:

“C.3.21 A metal plate may be used to reinforce the transom behind the fittings for boats needing repair in this area. The plate shall not exceed 4mm in thickness.”

Rule F.2.3.2

Current Position: Spreaders shall be supplied by the licensed manufacturer and shall be to the approved design.

Amendment: Amend the rule to read as follows:

“Spreaders, including the spreader bar, shall be supplied by the licensed manufacturer and shall be to the approved design.”
