The following changes to the Class Rules have been approved to be effective on the 18th June 2008.

**RRS**

**Current Rule:**
05.01.06  RRS 54 shall not apply.

**Amended Rule:**
05.01.06  a) RRS 50.4 shall not apply.
     b) RRS 54 shall not apply.

**Headsail definition**

**Current Rule:**
05.03.01  A headsail is defined as a triangular Sail set in the foretriangle. The half width (HW) measured from the Half Leech Point to the nearest point on Luff shall not exceed 50% of the longest Luff perpendicular (LP).

**Amended Rule:**
05.03.01  The headsail shall be set within the foretriangle. The shortest distance between any point on the leech at a distance Y from the Aft Head Point to the nearest point on the luff shall not exceed:

\[ HTW + (LP - HTW) \times (Y/LE) \]

LE being the distance from the Aft Head Point to the Clew Point.
**Sail Number in Spinnakers**

**Current Rule**

02.02.02 Spinnakers shall carry the same number.

**Amended Rule:**

02.02.02 Sail number in spinnakers.

a) A spinnaker is not required to carry a sail number. This changes RRS App G.1.3 (d) according to App G.5.

b) If a sail number is carried, it may be different from the one in the mainsail providing it is not the same as the one of another boat in the same regatta.

c) The Notice of Race and the Sailing instructions may change this rule.

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**Sail and Appendage control**

**Current Rule**

04.08.04 All sail and appendages controls shall be available from the cockpit. No handling may require an opening of the companionway doors and hatches, except a short opening in order to extract sails or tools from the cabin.

**Amended Rule:**

04.08.04 All sails and appendages shall be adjustable from the cockpit with all hatches closed.
Openings

Current Rule:

04.08.05 Access to the cabin shall be closed and locked on request of the Race Committee.

Amended Rule:

04.08.05 a) Access to the cabin shall be closed and locked on request of the Race Committee
b) in this case it may only be open when extracting from or putting into the cabin a sail or other equipment and only when the boat is not tacking or gybing, or a sail is being hoisted, lowered, changed or reefed.