The following amendments to the Class Rules have been approved to be effective 1st March 2005.

**Rule 6.1.1**
**Amendment:** Re-number current rule to 6.1.2. Rule 6.1.1 to now read: “Sails shall comply with the class rules in force at the time of certification unless otherwise specified below.”

**Rule 6.1.2**
**Amendment:** re-number to 6.1.3

**Rule 6.1.3**
**Amendment:** Delete current rule 6.1.3

**Rule 6.1.4**
**Amendment:** Delete current rule 6.1.4 and replace with heading “Certification”/

**Rule 6.1.4.1 (New Rule)**
**Amendment:** Add rule to read: “A measurer approved by an MNA or a class association where so authorised by an MNA shall certify the sail in the tack and shall sign and date the certification mark.”

**Rule 6.2**
**Amendment:** Change from “Mainsail” to “Sail maker”

**Rule 6.2.1**
**Amendment:** Change from heading “Construction” to “No licence is required.”

**Rule 6.2.1.1 to 6.2.1.6**
**Amendment:** Delete all rules.

**Rule 6.2.2**
**Amendment:** Re-number current rule to 6.4. Rule 6.2.2 to now read: “The thickness of the body of the sail shall not be less than 0.15mm. Where in the construction of the body of the sail the cloth is of variable thickness, the thinnest parts of the sail as measured by a micrometer with a spindle surface of 6.4mm (+/-0.25mm) diameter shall each be at least 9mm x 9mm square, and the thickness of the cloth shall be deemed to be that of the thinnest parts. Sails, which are not so constructed, shall cease to comply with Class Rules from 1 March 2005 and shall not be permitted for use at IODA events from 1 March 2005.”
The thickness in mm of the body of the sail shall be indelibly marked by the manufacturer, together with his signature, stamp, and date near the peak point.”

Rule 6.3 (New Rule)
Amendment: Add heading “Mainsail”

Rule 6.3.1 (New Rule)
Amendment: Add heading “Identification”

Rule 6.3.1.1 (New Rule)
Amendment: Add rule to read as follows: “The class insignia shall conform to the dimensions and requirements detailed in the diagram in CR 2.7.1 and be placed in accordance with the diagram contained in Sail Plan Sheet 4/5. No part of the class insignia shall extend beyond 1000mm of the peak point. The class insignia shall be placed back to back on both sides of the sail.”

Rule 6.3.2 (New Rule)
Amendment: Add heading “Material” and rule to read as follows: “The ply fibres shall be of polyester or cotton. The manufacturer of sail battens is optional. The construction material is optional except that Carbon fibre is prohibited.”

Rule 6.3.3 (New Rule)
Amendment: Add heading “Construction”

Rule 6.3.3.1 (New Rule)
Amendment: Add rule to read as follows: “The construction shall be: soft sail, single ply sail.”

Rule 6.3.3.2 (New Rule)
Amendment: Add rule to read as follows: “The body of the sail shall consist of the same woven ply throughout.”

Rule 6.3.3.3 (New Rule)
Amendment: Add rule to read as follows: “The sail shall have two batten pockets in the leech. Local widening for batten insertion (if any) shall be on the upper edge of the batten pockets. The outer end of the batten pockets shall be parallel to the leech at that point.”

Rule 6.3.3.4 (New Rule)
Amendment: Add rule to read as follows: “The leech shall not deviate more than +5/-10mm from a straight line between:

a. The peak point and the intersection of the leech and the upper edge of the top batten pocket.”
b. The intersection of the leech and the lower edge of the top batten pocket and the intersection of the leech and the upper edge of the lower batten pocket and,
c. The clew point and intersection of the leech and the lower edge of the lower batten pocket.
Sails, which do not comply with Rule 6.3.3.4, shall not be used after 1 March 2005.

Rule 6.3.3.5 (New Rule)
Amendment: Add rule to read as follows: “The leech shall not deviate more than +20/-5mm from a straight line between the intersection of the leech and the lower edge of the top batten pocket and the clew point. Sails presented for first measurement after 1 March 2005 shall comply with this rule.”

Rule 6.3.3.6 (New Rule)
Amendment: Add rule to read as follows: “The following are permitted: stitching, glues, bolt ropes, tabling, 2 batten pockets, batten pocket elastic, batten pocket patches, flutter patches, one trapezoidal window, sail maker label, sail button(s), tell tales.
Primary reinforcements shall be made of woven ply of any thickness. The ply fibres shall be made of polyester or cotton. Secondary reinforcements shall be made from the same woven ply as the body of the sail, with the exception that batten pocket patches and flutter patches may be made from a woven cotton or polyester ply, thinner than that of the body of the sail. Edges of secondary reinforcements shall be fixed by a maximum of two lines of stitches or bonding agents. Parallel or nearly parallel lines of stitching or bonding agent used elsewhere in the secondary reinforcement shall be more than 40mm apart. If two rows of closely positioned stitching are used to fix the edge of the secondary reinforcement then any inner lines of parallel stitching shall be more than 40mm distant from the inner line of edge stitching. Tabling shall be either by folds of the body of the sail or of separate polyester or cotton material not thinner than the body of the sail. Further to CR 1.2 and 6.1.2, the following are prohibited: carbon fibres, titanium.”

Rule 6.3.3.7 (New Rule)
Amendment: Add rule to read as follows: “Wire or elastic cord shall not be used in the sail. Any bolt rope or tabling used to strengthen the luff or head of the sail shall be fastened to the sail throughout its entire length. If a boltrope is enclosed in the tabling, it shall be sewn to the sail by visible stitches at those corners of the sail to which the rope extends. No boltrope is permitted in the leech or foot.”

Rule 6.3.3.8 (New Rule)
Amendment: Add rule to read as follows: “There shall be eight eyelets in the foot of the sail, including those at the tack and clew. There shall be eight eyelets in
the luff of the sail, including those at the throat and tack. (see also rule 6.4 for spacing between eyelets in luff and foot.)"

**Rule 6.4 (New rule)**

**Amendment:** Using table from old rule 6.2.2, change as follows:
Change “foot median” to “Foot mid-point to throat point”
Add in to table after “22 – Peak point to intersection of leech and lower edge of lowermost batten pocket”:

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Re-number rest of table as appropriate.

**Rule 6.5.1**

**Amendment:** Delete current rule

**Rule 6.5.2**

**Amendment:** Re-number as rule 6.5.1

**Rule 6.5.3**

**Amendment:** Delete current rule

**Rule 6.5.4**

**Amendment:** Re-number as Rule 6.5.2

**Rule 6.6.2**

**Amendment:** Delete current rule

**Rule 6.6.3**

“Fastening and positioning.”

Re-number Rule 6.6.3 as 6.6.2. Rules 6.6.3.1 – 6.6.3.6 to be re-numbered as 6.6.2.1 – 6.6.2.6.
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Rule 3.2.3.2
Amendment: Add “The upper 300 mat of the bottom laminate shall overlap the 300 mat used in the mast step base to ensure a strong bond between hull and mast step”.

Rule 4.7
Amendment: Add to end of current rule: “Where a boat is sailing in an international regatta the competitor shall be a member of a national Optimist association or other body which is itself a member of the I.O.D.A as defined in IODA Article 3 (a)”.