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Question 1

Who represents the national authority under rule 71?

Answer 1

For the purposes of the Racing Rules of Sailing, the national authority is an entity. Representation or jurisdiction of persons or bodies within the entity is not governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing.

Question 2

When the board of directors of a national authority appoints a committee to hear an appeal, may the board request further information or clarifications from the committee regarding an appeal decision?

Answer 2

That will depend on terms of reference of that committee within the national authority structure. See answer 1.

Question 3

What shall the board of directors of a national authority do when it believes that the committee has made an error on the procedures or findings?

Answer 3

That will depend on the policies and procedures of the national authority. See answer 1.

However, decisions by a national authority under rule 71, National Authority Decisions, are governed by rule 71.4. Once published, these decisions are final, as that rule says, and therefore cannot be changed by anyone, the national authority included.