Team Racing Rules Working Party
Report on 2019 Tasks

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This year the working party (WP) has made 8 submissions through the RRC Chairman. Of these 5 propose changes to Appendix D to resolve issues of interpretation that have arisen at major team racing events. One is a rewrite of RRS D4 on scoring an event to remove unnecessary complexity and to resolve ambiguities, particularly concerning resolution of ties in a knock-out series. The other two are

A new rule D1.1(x) is proposed to add Test Rule 16.2 into the appendix following successful testing in many events during 2019. Separately, the WP recommended that Part 2 rule 16.2 be amended to use the same words; if this Part 2 change is approved, the new Appendix D rule will not be necessary.

A new team racing call is recommended to improve understanding of the words "room to round the mark as necessary to sail the course". The WP considers this to be a critical interpretation of the current rules.

A further two proposals were considered and rejected as incorrect or unnecessary.

The WP agreed a new rapid response call which is published as RR Call 2019-19. The existing rapid response calls will be reviewed in 2020 and, if considered appropriate, a submission will be made to include them in the Call Book for 2021.

No test rules for the deletion of RRS 13 and 17 were approved. There is no consensus on these ideas and consideration is deferred until the next rules cycle.

Richard Thompson
WP Chairman
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