Offshore Special Regulations – 3.24

Steering Compass

A submission from Yachting Australia

Purpose or Objective

To more clearly define what the second compass should be.

Proposal

3.24.1 The following shall be provided:-

a) a marine magnetic compass, independent of any power supply, permanently installed and correctly adjusted with deviation card, and

b) a magnetic compass independent of any power supply, capable of being used as a steering compass, which may be hand-held

Current Position

As above

Reason

It is considered that the present regulation is too vague and would permit use of a compass inadequate for the purpose of steering.