**Offshore Special Regulations 4.26.4 f) – Heavy-Weather Jib**

Heavy weather sail options for Category 4

A submission from the Working Party Reviewing OSR Categories 4 and 5

**Purpose or Objective**

To offer boats racing in OSR Category 4 races the option of either carrying a heavy-weather jib or having the ability to reef the mainsail.

**Proposal**

Amend OSR 4.26.4 f):

| 4.26.4 f) | either a heavy-weather jib (or heavy weather sail in a yacht with no forestay) of area not greater than 13.5% height of the foretriangle squared, **or mainsail reefing to reduce the luff by at least 40%**; |

**Current Position**

| 4.26.4 f) | a heavy-weather jib (or heavy weather sail in a yacht with no forestay) of area not greater than 13.5% height of the foretriangle squared; |

**Reason**

1. A majority of the WP are content with OSR 4.26.4 f) as it stands.

2. A minority view is that boats should be offered the option of alternatively having the ability to reef the mainsail.

3. The WP offers the above if the Special Regulations Sub-committee agrees with the minority view.

See Working Party Report Item 6(d).