

Class Rule Changes

International Hobie Class Association

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Amendment One

CHANGE GENERAL CLASS RULE 8.1

Old:

The boat shall be equipped with a personal flotation device (PFD)/life jacket at the correct weight category for each crew member to the minimum standard ISO 12402-5 (CE 50 Newtons), or USCG Type III or Level 50 (previously AUS PFD 2) or Level 50S (previously AUS PFD 3). The IHCA strongly recommends that life jackets or PFDs be worn at all times.

Amend to read:

The boat shall be equipped with a personal flotation device (PFD) or life jacket at the correct weight category for each crew member to the minimum standard ISO 12402-5, or USCG Type III, or AS 4758 Level 50 or equivalent.

Amendment Two

CHANGE GENERAL CLASS RULE 22

Amend to Delete:

~~22. SIGNALING A PROTEST~~

~~RRS 60.2 (a)(1) shall apply to all Hobie Catamaran Classes regardless their hull length. This changes RRS 60.2 (a)(1).~~

Reasons;

RRS 60.2 (a)(1) cannot be changed by the class rules, therefore it has been removed.

Amendment Three

CHANGE APPENDIX D "RACE COMMITTEE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS"

Amend to Delete:

~~4. SIGNALING A PROTEST~~

~~The boat protesting another boat shall follow RRS 61.1(a) with the following modification: The World Sailing requirement for under 6 meter boats applies to all Hobie Catamaran Classes. This changes rule 61.1 (a) (2)~~

Reasons;

RRS 60.2 (a)(1) cannot be changed by the class rules, therefore it has been removed.