

Class Rule Changes

International Class40 Association

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AMENDEMENT 1

Old :

100. GENERAL REMARKS

The **boat** must comply with all aspects of:

- the “**NF EN ISO 12217** Small Craft- Stability and Buoyancy Assessment and Categorisation - part 2: **Sailing boats** of **hull length** greater than or equal to 6m” for design category A, except 6.1.4 b) where the sentence “*for the next less demanding design category*” is replaced by “*for the design category concerned*” ;
- the “**NF EN ISO 11812** – Small Craft – watertightness requirements of quick draining cockpits” for design category A ;
- as well as the requirements set out in OSR for Category 1, with the exception of chapter 3.09 (cockpit).
- Requirements of **ISO 12215** (OSR 3.03.1)
- Requirements of **ISO 15085**

In the event of conflict between the OSR and the **NF EN ISO 12217** standard, the latter will prevail.

These rules are modified as follows:

- **ISO 12217-2 :**
 - ◆ **6.3.2** “Alternative requirement for categories A & B” does not apply. See **§301** of these rules.
- **OSR Cat 1:**
 - ◆ **3.03.2 b)** Certification by a notified body does not apply.
 - ◆ **3.04** Stability index does not apply
 - ◆ **3.08.03** “Companionway” does not apply, replaced by the restrictions noted in the **ISO 12217-2** standard:
§6.2.2.2
 - ◆ **3.14** “Pulpits, Stanchions, Lifelines”, modified, see **§402** of these rules.
 - ◆ **3.18** “Toilet” , modified, see **§104** of these rules.
 - ◆ **3.19.1** “Bunks”, modified, see **§104** of these rules.
 - ◆ **3.21.1** “Drinking water”, see **§104** of these rules.
 - ◆ **4.01.2** “Sail letters & numbers”. As defined in **Chapter 3 of the Appendix to Class Rules**
 - ◆ **4.26** “Heavy-weather jib”. Modified, see **§212.04** of these rules.
 - ◆ **Appendix E** “Organisation of Oceanic Races”. Does not apply.

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- RRS:
 - ◆ § 51. "Movable ballast". Does not apply.
 - ◆ § 52 MANUAL POWER: does not apply to liquid ballast
 - ◆ § 55.4 "Headsails", modified. See §212.03.01 of these rules.

Amend to read (*applicable immediately upon approval by the vote*):

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 - ◆ 3.04 Stability index does not apply
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- ◆ 3.21.1 "Drinking water", see §104 of these rules.
- ◆ 4.01.2 "Sail letters & numbers". As defined in **Chapter 3 of the Appendix to Class Rules**
- ◆ 4.26 "Heavy-weather jib". Modified, see §212.04 of these rules.
- ◆ 4.27.1.e) « Storm & Heavy Weather Sail Specifications, Design», Does not apply.
- ◆ 4.47.4 « Storm jib » Modified, see §212.05 of these rules.
- ◆ Appendix E "Organisation of Oceanic Races". Does not apply.

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Reason :

Class40 wishes to have control over the definition and possible uses of the storm jib.

AMENDEMENT 2

Ammend to add:

103.02.04 Storm jib

Triangular headsail. This sail is defined in Rule 212.05.

This sail must be designed for sailing upwind in very heavy weather.

Reason :

Class40 wishes to have control over the definition and possible uses of the storm jib.

AMENDEMENT 3

Old :

212. SAILS

The surface area, mainsail + solent (see definition in 212.03.01), must not exceed 115 m2.

Any system designed or intended to artificially increase the surface area of the mainsail is prohibited. A lazy bag shall not have a developed width greater than 800 mm. A lazy bag shall be made of fabric and shall not extend in front of the mast.

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Ammend to Read:

212. SAILS

The **surface area**, **mainsail** + solent (see definition in **212.03.01**), must not exceed 115 m².

Any system designed or intended to artificially increase the surface area of the **mainsail** is prohibited. A lazy bag shall not have a developed width greater than 800 mm. A lazy bag shall be made of ~~permeable~~ mesh fabric (~~batylinbe~~ or equivalent) and shall not extend in front of the **mast**.

Reason :

Class40 wishes to have control over the definition and possible uses of the storm jib.

AMENDEMENT 3

Old :

212.05 - Certificate of sail conformity

The **sail** maker shall sign a document (supplied by the Class 40) certifying the **sail** materials, measurements and surface area of the **mainsail** and each genoa/jib/solent and heavy-weather jib, as well as their total conformity with the specifications of the *RRS* and **ERS**.

Amend to read (*applicable immediately upon approval by the vote*):

212.06 - Certificate of sail conformity

The **sail** maker shall sign a document (supplied by the Class 40) certifying the **sail** materials, measurements and surface area of the **mainsail** and each genoa/jib/solent and heavy-weather jib, as well as their total conformity with the specifications of the *RRS* and **ERS**.

Reason :

Change of numbering

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AMMENDEMENT 4

Amend to add (*applicable immediately upon approval by the vote*):

212.05 – Storm jib

A storm jib with :

- area not greater than 5% (height of the **foretriangle**) squared,
- luff length not greater than 65% of height of the **foretriangle**,
- storm jib area shall be calculated as: $(0.255 \times HLU \times (HLP + 2 \times HHW))$
- permanently attached method, independent of a luff groove, to attach to the stay,
- designed to provide propulsion and steerage in Beaufort scale 8 and on all points of sail.

*Amendment to Rule 212.05 effective January 1, 2027:

Refer to RSO 4.27.4 Cat 1 modified as follows:

Areas less than 20 m². The area (HSA) is measured as follows:

$HSA = 0.0625 \times HLU \times (4 \times HLP + 6 \times HHW + 3 \times HTW + 2 \times HUW + 0.5 \times HHB)$

RSO 4.27.4.e does not apply.

Reason :

Class40 wishes to have control over the definition of the storm jib