

ADDENDUM C – RULES FOR HANDLING BOATS [NP]

1. GENERAL

- 1.1. While all reasonable steps are taken to equalize, variations in the boats will not be grounds for redress. This changes Rule 61.4(b)
- 1.2. Before starting and after finishing or retiring, boats shall sail to minimise any delay to the race schedule and without interfering with any race in progress.

2. PROHIBITED ITEMS AND ACTIONS - Except in an emergency or in order to prevent damage or injury, or when directed by an umpire otherwise,

2.1. the following are prohibited, subject to umpire-initiated penalty on the water:

- (a) The use of electronic instruments other than watches or action cameras;
- (b) Moving the mast chocks;
- (c) The use of the shrouds (including any inner shrouds) or the boom, to facilitate tacking or gybing by aiding the projection of a crew member outboard;
- (d) Using the spinnaker pole to wing out the jib;
- (e) Sitting with leg(s) outboard of the boat;
- (f) The use of any running rigging other than a working sheet, mainsheet traveller and backstay line for the purpose of hiking;
- (g) Omitting any headsail car or turning block;
- (h) Sailing in an area designated as an exclusion zone;
- (i) Having the head of the spinnaker above the main boom gooseneck when tacking;
- (j) Changing the number of purchases in either the main or jib sheet;
- (k) Hoisting or lowering the spinnaker to/from anywhere other than a cockpit locker;
- (l) The use of the spinnaker pole stowage loop on the boom for controlling the position of the boom;
- (m) The use of any equipment for a purpose other than that intended or specifically permitted.

2.2. Actions subject to protest by the RC or the PC

- (a) Any additions, omissions or alterations to the equipment supplied. In particular, the cutting or shortening of any sheets, control lines or other running rigging;
- (b) The replacement of any equipment without the sanction of the RC;
- (c) Sailing the boat in a manner that it is reasonable to predict would cause significant damage;
- (d) Taking a boat without permission from its berth or mooring without having paid the required Damage Deposit or having permission from the RC, or while AP is displayed ashore;
- (e) Leaving any equipment, including lines and fender(s) behind when leaving a berth or mooring
- (f) Marking directly on the hull or deck with permanent ink;
- (g) Perforating sails, even to attach tell tales;
- (h) The addition of tape or other material to spinnaker or jib halyards other than where they attach to the sail;
- (i) The use of any equipment for a purpose other than that intended or specifically permitted;
- (j) Adjusting or altering the tension of standing rigging, excluding the backstay when fitted;
- (k) Moving equipment from its normal stowage position except when being used;
- (l) Hauling-out or cleaning surfaces below the waterline.

3. PERMITTED ITEMS AND ACTIONS - The following are permitted:

3.1. Taking on board the following equipment:

- (a) basic hand tools; electrical tape; line (elastic or otherwise of 4 mm diameter or less); tell-tale material; watches and timers; shackles and clevis pins; velcro tape.

3.2. Using the items in 3.1 to:

- (a) prevent fouling of lines, sails and sheets; attach tell tales; prevent sails being damaged or falling overboard; mark control settings; make minor repairs and permitted adjustments.

3.3. Using the rail on the vertical walls of the cockpit for the purpose of hiking normally. This changes RRS 49.1.

4. MANDATORY ITEMS AND ACTIONS - The following are mandatory:

4.1. At the end of each sailing day:

- (a) rolling, bagging and placement of the sails as directed.
- (b) leaving the boat in the same state of cleanliness as when first boarded that day, including removing all trash.
- (c) complying with the directions posted on the boats or given by the OA.

4.2. Any request to alter, in any way, the equipment on a boat shall be in writing and worded to permit a yes/no answer.