

# ANEXO A UMPIRED FLEET RACING

# 1 CHANGES TO THE DEFINITIONS, THE RULES OF PART 1 AND 2, AND RULE 70

- **1.1** Add to the definition *Proper Course*: 'A boat taking a penalty or maneuvering to take a penalty is not sailing a *proper course*.'
- **1.2** Add new rule 7 to Part 1:

#### **7 LAST POINT OF CERTAINTY**

The umpires will assume that the state of a boat, or her relationship to another boat, has not changed, until they are certain that it has changed.

#### 1.3 Not Used

- **1.4** When rule 20 applies, the following arm signals are required in addition to the hails:
  - (a) for room to tack, repeatedly and clearly pointing to windward; and
  - (b) for 'You tack', repeatedly and clearly pointing at the other boat and waving the arm to windward.
- **1.5** Rule 70 is deleted.

#### 1.6 Not Used

#### 2 CHANGES TO OTHER RULES

**2.1** Rule 28.2 is changed to:

#### 28 SAILING THE COURSE

28.2. A boat may correct any errors in *sailing the course*, provided she has not rounded the next mark or crossed the finishing line to *finish*.

# 2.2 Rule 31 is changed to:

## 31 TOUCHING A MARK

While *racing*, neither the crew nor any part of a boat's hull shall touch a starting *mark* before *starting*, a *mark* that begins, bounds or ends the legof the course on which she is sailing, or a finishing *mark* after *finishing*. In addition, while *racing*, a boat shall not touch a race committee vesselthat is also a *mark*.

#### 2.3 Not Used

#### 3 ON WATER PROTESTS AND PENALTIES

3.1 In this appendix, 'a penalty' will mean the following:

A One-Turn Penalty taken in accordance with rule 44.2.

Rule 44.1 is changed to: 'A boat may take a penalty when, in an incident while racing, she may have broken one or more of the rules of Part 2 (except rule 14 when she has caused injury or serious damage), rule 31 or rule 42. However, (a) when a boat may have broken a rule of Part 2 and rule 31 in the same incident, she need not take the penalty for breaking rule 31; (b) if the boat caused injury or serious damage or, despite taking a penalty, gained a significant advantage in the race or series by her breach her penalty shall be to retire'

# 3.3 On the Water Protests by Boats and Penalties

- (a) While racing, a boat may protest another boat under a rule of Part 2 (except rule 14) for an incident in which she was involved, under rule 31, or rule 42 by conspicuously displaying a red flag at the first reasonable opportunity for each. She shall remove the flag before, or at the first reasonable opportunity after a boat involved in the incident has taken a penalty voluntarily or after an umpire's decision.
- (b) A boat that protests as provided in rule UF3.3(a) is not entitled to a hearing, Instead, a boat involved in the incident may acknowledge breaking a rule by voluntarily taking a penalty. An umpire may penalize any boat that broke a rule and was not exonerated, unless the boat took a penalty voluntarily.

# 3.4. Penalties and Protests Initiated by an Umpire

- (a) When a boat
- (1) breaks rule 31 and does not take a penalty,
- (2) breaks rule 42,
- (3) gains an advantage despite taking a penalty,
- (4) commits a breach of sportsmanship, or
- (5) fails to comply with rule UF3.6,

an umpire may penalize her without a protest by another boat by signalling in accordance with rule UF3.5(b), or UF3.5(c). If a boat is penalized under rule UF3.4(a)(5) for not taking a penalty or taking a penalty incorrectly, the original penalty is cancelled.

(b) An umpire who decides, based on their own observation or a report received from any source, that a boat may have broken a rule, other than rule UF3.6 or rule 28 or a rule listed in rule UF3.3(a), may inform the protest committee for its action under rule 60.1. However, they will not inform the protest committee of an alleged breach of rule 14 unless there is damage or injury.

#### 3.5 Umpire Signals

An umpire will signal a decision as follows:

- (a) A green and white flag with one long sound means 'No penalty.'
- (b) A red flag with one long sound means 'a penalty is imposed or remains outstanding.' The umpire will hail or signal to identify each such boat.
- (c) A black flag with one long sound means 'A boat is disqualified.' The umpire will hail or signal to identify the boat disqualified.

## 3.6 Imposed Penalties

- (a) A boat penalized under rule 3.5(b) shall take a penalty.
- (b) A boat disqualified under rule UF3.5(c) is no longer racing and shall promptly leave the course area.

#### 4 RACE COMMITTEE ACTIONS

4.1 At the finishing line, the race committee will inform the competitors about each boat's finishing place or scoring abbreviation. After this has been done, the race committee will promptly display flag B with one sound. Flag B will be displayed for at least two minutes and then removed with one sound. If the race committee changes the scoring information provided at the finishing line while flag B is displayed, it will display flag L with one sound. Flag B will continue to be displayed for at least two minutes after any changes are made.

After boats have finished, the race committee will inform competitors about the results over VHF radio.

# 5 PROTESTS; REQUESTS FOR REDRESS OR REOPENING; APPEALS; OTHER PROCEEDINGS

- 5.1 No proceedings of any kind may be taken in relation to any action or non-action by an umpire.
- 5.2 A boat intending to
  - (a) protest another boat under a rule other than rule 3.6 or rule 28, or a rule listed in rule 3.3(a),
  - (b) protest another boat under rule 14 if there was contact that caused damage or injury, o
  - (c) request redress

Does not have to display a red flag or hail protest, and shall inform the race committee in the following way:

hail the race committee before or during the display of flag B.

- 5.3 The race committee will promptly inform the protest committee and any protested boat about any protests or requests for redress made under rule 5.2.
- 5.4 The race committee will not protest a boat.
- 5.5 The technical committee will only protest a boat under rule 60.1 when it decides that a boat or personal equipment does not comply with the class rules, rule 50, or the rules in the equipment regulations of the event.
- 5.6 The time limit defined in rule 5.2 also applies to protests under rule 5.4 and 5.5 when such protests are permitted. The protest committee shall extend the time limit if there is good reason to do so.

### 5.7 Hearings

Except for a hearing under rule 69.2

- (a) Protests and requests for redress need not be in writing.
- (b) The protest committee may inform the parties and schedule the hearing in any way it considers appropriate and may communicate this orally.
- (c) The protest committee may take evidence and conduct the hearing in any way it considers appropriate and may communicate its decision orally.
- (d) Protest Committee decisions that change the score of one or more boats shall be communicated to all boats.
- 5.8. Rule 60.5 is deleted and replaced with: 'If the protest committee decides that a boat has broken a rule and was not exonerated, it may impose penalties other than disqualification (including imposing no penalty). If a boat has broken a rule when not racing, the protest committee shall decide whether to apply any penalty to the race sailed nearest in time to that of the incident or make some other arrangement.
- 5.9 Rule 63.7(b) is changed to 'A party to the hearing may not request a reopening.'
- 5.10 Rule 61.4(b)(1) is deleted.