

ADDENDUM 'HANDLING PROVIDED BOATS'

1 GENERAL

- 1.1 While all reasonable steps are taken to equalize, variations in the boats will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.4(b)1.
- 1.2 Any request to alter, in any way, the equipment on a boat shall be in writing and worded to permit a yes/no answer.

2 PROHIBITED ITEMS and ACTIONS

Except in an emergency or in order to prevent damage or injury, or when directed by an umpire otherwise, the following are prohibited and subject to protest by the protest and/or race committee

- 2.1 Adjusting or altering the tension of standing rigging, excluding the backstay.
- 2.2 The use of electronic instruments or smartphone/tablet apps, other than watches.
- 2.3 Using the spinnaker pole to wing out the foresail.
- 2.4 The use of the shrouds (including any inner shrouds) above the lower bottle screw (turnbuckle) to facilitate tacking or gybing, or to aid the projection of a crew member outboard.
- 2.5 Except for working sheets and control lines and while seated, using any line for the purpose of hiking is prohibited.
- 2.6 Radio transmission, except to report a breakdown or damage or in response to a request from the RC.
- 2.7 Any additions, omissions or alterations to the equipment supplied.
- 2.8 The replacement of any equipment without the sanction of the RC.
- 2.9 Sailing the boat in a manner that it is reasonable to predict that significant further damage would result.
- 2.10 Moving equipment from its normal stowage position except when being used.
- 2.11 Boarding a boat without prior permission.
- 2.12 Taking a boat from its berth or mooring without having paid the required damage deposit or having permission from the RC, or, on race days, while "AP" is displayed ashore.
- 2.13 Hauling out a boat or cleaning surfaces below the waterline.
- 2.14 Attaching lines to the fabric of spinnakers.
- 2.15 Marking directly on the hull or deck with permanent ink.
- 2.16 Perforating sails, even to attach telltales.
- 2.17 The use of any equipment for a purpose other than that intended or specifically permitted.
- 2.18 After the starting signal and while sailing close hauled for more than a few seconds, the main boom position shall be controlled only by using the mainsheet, traveler and vang.
- 2.19 Attaching the spinnaker pole to the shrouds, including when not in active use.

3 PERMITTED ITEMS and ACTIONS - The following are permitted

- 3.1 **Taking on board the following equipment:**
 - 3.1.1 basic hand tools
 - 3.1.2 adhesive tape or Velcro tape but not duct tape
 - 3.1.3 line (elastic or otherwise of 4 mm diameter or less)
 - 3.1.4 non-permanent marking pens
 - 3.1.5 tell-tale material
 - 3.1.6 watch, timers and hand held compass
 - 3.1.7 shackles, plastic clips, cotter pins/ring dings and clevis pins

- 3.1.8 spare flags
- 3.1.9 VHF radio (Required)
- 3.2 **Using the items in 3.1 to:**
 - 3.2.1 prevent fouling of lines, sails and sheets, or securing the spinnaker halyard
 - 3.2.2 attach tell tales
 - 3.2.3 prevent sails being damaged or falling overboard
 - 3.2.4 mark control settings (adhesive tape only)
 - 3.2.5 make minor repairs and permitted adjustments
 - 3.2.6 Fixing a spinnaker sheet catcher at the bow, providing that it does not extend the length of the boat more than 100 mm and does not require any repair or maintenance after removal.
 - 3.2.7 Changing the number of mainsheet or jib sheet purchases.
- 4 **MANDATORY ITEMS and ACTIONS** - The following are mandatory
 - 4.1 The completion of a written damage report before leaving a boat and submitting it to the RC, even if no damage or loss is recorded.
 - 4.2 Reports shall include any evidence of matters which could cause damage or disadvantage to the boat in future races.
 - 4.3 At the end of each sailing day:
 - Rolling, bagging and placement of the sails as directed
 - Leaving the boat in the same state of cleanliness as when first boarded that day
 - Releasing backstay tension
 - removing all trash and recyclable items
 - 4.4 At the end of the final day:
 - cleaning the boat (cabin and decks)
 - removing all trash and recyclable items and
 - removing all tape and marks.
 - 4.5 A breach of items 4 will be considered as damage and the cost of rectification will be deducted from the damage deposit.