Racing Rules of Sailing

Submission: **086-23**

Rule T1(b)

A submission from the Chair of the Racing Rules Committee

Purpose or Objective

To give a fair and simple way of calculating a Post-Race Penalty incorporating the idea from Submission 036-22.

Proposal 1

Change rule T1(b) as shown:

T1 POST-RACE PENALTIES

- (a) [no change]
- (b) A Post-Race Penalty is a 30% Scoring Penalty calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c) equal to 30% of the difference between a boat's finishing place in the race and the score for Did Not Finish. However, rule 44.1(a) applies.
- (c) [no change]

Current Position

See above.

Reasons

1. With the current rule there is no incentive for a boat in the bottom 30% of the fleet to accept a Post-Race penalty as the penalty will give a score larger than DNF. This proposal makes the Post-Race Penalty depend of the boat's finishing place in the race, thus creating an incentive for all boats. Note that the score for a DSQ has the same pattern – a boat finishing as number 1 will be penalised with a larger number of points than a boat finishing as for instance number 5. The score for DSQ can thus be seen as a Post-Race Penalty calculated as described in this proposal only with a percentage of 100.