

Racing Rules of Sailing

RRS Introduction

A submission from the German Sailing Federation

Purpose or Objective

Housekeeping of the terminology in Introduction 'Interpretations'

Proposal:

Change Introduction 'Terminology' as follows:

Interpretations World Sailing publishes the following authoritative interpretations of the ~~racing~~ **rules**:

- *The Case Book – Interpretations of the Racing Rules*,
- *The Call Books*, for various disciplines,
- Interpretations of Rule 42, Propulsion, and
- Interpretations of the Regulations, for those Regulations that are *rules*.

These publications are available on the World Sailing website. Other interpretations of the racing rules are not authoritative unless approved by World Sailing in accordance with Regulation 28.4.

Current Position

As above.

Reasons

In accordance with the 'Terminology' in the Introduction of the RRS, the term 'racing rules' means 'rules in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*'. Both the RRS Definition *rule* and the Definitions in the World Sailing regulations document distinguish between the 'Regulations' and the 'Racing Rules of Sailing'. Even if some regulations might be '*rules*', as defined in the RRS Definition *rule* (b), they are not becoming 'racing rules' in the sense of the Terminology in the Introduction of the RRS (and RRS Definition *rule* (a)). The proposed change removes this inconsistency in the wording without reducing or extending World Sailing's authority to publish interpretations.
