

# Class Rule Changes

International Class40 Association

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## Amendment One

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### Old:

#### 104. INTERIOR FITTINGS

In addition to OSR Category 1 requirements, there must be on board:

- A minimum of 4 permanently installed solid bunks (articulating bunks not included) which measure a minimum of 1.8m x 0.5m in size;\*
- A minimum of two portlights in the coachroof providing lateral visibility, the area of visibility measuring a minimum combined area of 0.2m<sup>2</sup>, not including the companionway hatch, on a vertical plane at 0° of heel;
- Permanently installed and usable head or fitted bucket
- Fixed water tanks containing a combined maximum of 40l. These tanks shall be situated at less than 500 mm from the centreline of the boat.

Tanks are not permitted in the keel fin (dispensation for **boats** launched prior to the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2012).

### Amend to read:

#### 104. INTERIOR FITTINGS

In addition to OSR Category 1 requirements, the following:

- a) shall be onboard:
  - i) A minimum of 4 permanently installed solid bunks (articulating bunks not included) which measure a minimum of 1.8m x 0.5m in size;\*
  - ii) A minimum of two portlights in the coachroof providing lateral visibility, the area of visibility measuring a minimum combined area of 0.2m<sup>2</sup>, not including the companionway hatch, on a vertical plane at 0° of heel;
  - iii) Permanently installed and useable head or fitted bucket.

#### b) may be onboard:

Fixed water tank(s) containing a combined maximum of 40 liters. These tank(s) shall be situated at less than 500 mm from the centreline of the boat.

Tanks are not permitted in the keel fin (dispensation for boats launched prior to the 1st of January 2012).

### Reasons:

Wording and possibility to remove these tanks which are sealed empty and in reality never used, but keep a maximum limit if the tank exist, to prevent them from becoming ballast.

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## Amendment Two

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#### 207. BALLAST

The maximum volume of **variable ballast** is 1500 l, symmetrically distributed (750 l on each side), including plumbing up to the centreline of the **boat**. The **ballast** tanks are fixed.

Only one configuration of ballast tank layout and volume distribution is permitted per full 12-month period.

### Amend to read:

#### 207. BALLAST

The maximum volume of **variable ballast** is 1500 l, symmetrically distributed (750 l on each side), including plumbing up to the centreline of the **boat**. The **ballast** tanks are fixed.

Only one ballast configuration is permitted per full 12-month period.

The length of any ballast tank vents shall not be greater than 750mm, with an internal diameter not greater than 100mm.

### Reasons:

Limit the size and volume of these pipes. Do not increase the volume of ballasts artificially

## Amendment Three

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### Old:

#### 212. SAILS

The **surface area**, **mainsail** + solent (see definition in **212.03.01**), must not exceed 115 m<sup>2</sup>.

### Amend to read:

#### 212. SAILS

The combined **surface area** of the **mainsail** and solent (see definition in **212.03.01**), shall not exceed 115 m<sup>2</sup>.

Any system designed or intended to artificially increase the surface area of the **mainsail** is prohibited. A lazy bag shall not have a developed width greater than 800 mm. A lazy bag shall be made of permeable fabric and shall not extend in front of the **mast**.

### Reasons:

Make it uninteresting and unnecessary to couple the lazy bag to the mainsail to add uncounted surface area

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## Amendment Four

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#### *401. HULL, DECK, INTERIOR STRUCTURE AND FITTINGS*

Materials forbidden in the construction of the **hull**, deck, the interior structure and fittings are:

- ◆ Carbon fibre
- ◆ Aramid fibre
- ◆ Any mineral or synthetic fibre where the maximum tensile strength is in excess of 3000 Mpa
- ◆ Sandwich cores: honeycomb cores.

The use of resin pre-preg reinforcements in the construction of the **hull**, the deck, the interior structure and fittings is forbidden.

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- ◆ Carbon fibre
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- ◆ Any mineral or synthetic fibre where the maximum tensile strength is in excess of 3000 Mpa
- ◆ Sandwich cores: honeycomb cores.

The use of resin pre-preg reinforcements in the construction of the **hull**, the deck, the interior structure and fittings is forbidden. **The use of commercially available, mass-produced fiberglass profiles is permitted.**

### Reasons:

Differentiate these profiles from the pre-preg reinforcements. Simplification for designers, builders, and referees.