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The following amendments to the Class Rules have been approved to be effective 11 February 2015.

Rule 3.2.6.1(i)

Amendment: Delete the existing rule and replace with the following wording:

- (i) Strips of non-metallic material may be fitted to the daggerboard case slot within 30 mm of the top and the bottom of the daggerboard case slot to achieve a uniform opening of 16 mm +/- 2 mm at the top and bottom of the daggerboard case slot. Additional non-metallic material may be placed within 30 mm in any direction of each end of the top and bottom of the daggerboard case slot to act as positioning and protection of the daggerboard. This additional material shall be removed upon request of the measurer, for then measurement of the daggerboard case slot. (See also CR 3.2.2.11).

Rule 3.2.6.2

Amendment: Delete the existing rule and replace with the following wording:

- 3.2.6.2 Backing plates, when used in GRP boats, shall comply with the Plans and laid-in as shown on this diagram (i.e. top surface of backing plate flush with top of bottom foam core).

Rule 3.2.6.3

Amendment: Add new rule to read as follows and renumber existing rule 3.2.6.3 to become 3.2.6.5:

- 3.2.6.3 Toe straps can be attached to the midship frame, using at most 4 fixing plates (two for each strap) of 50 mm +/- 10 mm x 20 mm +/- 5 mm x 2 mm +/- 1 mm for metal plates or 50 mm +/- 10 mm x 20 mm +/- 5 mm x 7 mm +/- 3 mm for plastic plates.

Rule 3.2.6.4

Amendment: Add new rule to read as follows

- 3.2.6.4 Fittings, with the exception of the mast step, shall not extend beyond the dimensions of their respective laid-in backing plates and shall be securely attached to them as shown.

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Rule 3.2.7.3

Amendment: Add new sentence to the end of the existing rule to read as follows:

“Alternatively an eye may be used for attachment of the aft end of the toe straps at the centre buoyancy bag attachment point.”

Rule 3.3.4

Amendment: Delete existing rule and replace with the following wording:

3.3.4 The daggerboard shall float, and shall be attached to the hull. One hole shall be drilled through the daggerboard and the battens in any place. Its diameter shall not exceed 10 mm. An elastic cord or lanyard shall be used to attach the daggerboard to the hull. A small shackle may be used to attach the elastic cord or lanyard, either to the hull or the daggerboard.

Rule 3.3.5

Amendment: Delete existing rule and replace with the following wording:

3.3.5 The daggerboard may be held in the daggerboard case by a loop of (elastic) cord. The cord may be fixed to the daggerboard case through two eyes or to the mast thwart bulkhead through two optional holes, with a diameter of not more than 10mm. The position of the holes shall be in accord with hull sheet plan 16/24. A single extra loop of rope, tape or elastic cord may be attached to this loop in order to assist with the process of lowering and raising the daggerboard. Both the elastic cord and the additional loop may be padded by using flexible hollow tubing.

Rule 3.5.1.2

Amendment: Delete the final sentence of the rule and replace with the following wording:

“At the top of the mast the height of the visible part of an optional end cap shall not exceed 10 mm.”

Rule 3.5.1.5

Amendment: Delete the first sentence of the rule and replace with the following wording:

“Non-metallic protective material may be used on the sprit at the area where sprit and mast make contact.”



Rule 3.5.3.7

Amendment: Delete existing rule and replace with the following wording:

- 3.5.3.7 The boom downhaul may be attached to the boom in an optional manner by use of a fixed stop or lacing eye at a fixed position on the upper side of the boom. The bearing edge of the fitting used shall not be more than 200mm from the inner end of the boom excluding boom jaws.

Rule 6.3.3.6

Amendment: Delete existing rule and replace with the following wording:

- 6.3.3.6 The following are permitted: stitching, glues, bolt ropes, tabling, 2 batten pockets, batten pocket elastic, batten pocket patches, flutter patches, one trapezoidal window, sail maker label, sail button(s), tell tales. Further to CR 1.2 and 6.1.2, the following are prohibited: carbon fibres, titanium.

Rule 6.3.3.7

Amendment: Add new rule to read as follows and renumber existing rules 6.3.3.7 to become 6.3.3.11 and 6.3.3.8 to become 6.3.3.12

- 6.3.3.7 Primary reinforcements shall be made of woven ply of any thickness. The ply fibres shall be made of polyester or cotton.

Rule 6.3.3.8

Amendment: Add new rule to read as follows:

- 6.3.3.8 Secondary reinforcements shall be made from the same woven ply as the body of the sail, with the exception that batten pocket patches and flutter patches may be made from a woven cotton or polyester ply, thinner than that of the body of the sail. Edges of secondary reinforcements shall be fixed by a maximum of two lines of stitches or bonding agents. Parallel or nearly parallel lines of stitching or bonding agent used elsewhere in the secondary reinforcement shall be more than 40 mm apart. If two rows of closely positioned stitching are used to fix the edge of the secondary reinforcement then any inner lines of parallel stitching shall be more than 40 mm distant from the inner line of edge stitching.



Rule 6.3.3.9

Amendment: Add new rule to read as follows:

6.3.3.9 Tabling shall be either by folds of the body of the sail, or of separate polyester or cotton material not thinner than the body of the sail.

Rule 6.3.3.10

Amendment: Add new rule to read as follows:

6.3.3.10 Each batten pocket patch shall consist of two layers of white material. Ply different to the ply of the body of the sail may be used. Sails first presented for measurement after 1 May 2015 shall comply with this rule.

Rule 6.4 (13)

Amendment: Delete existing rule and replace with the following wording:

	Minimum	Maximum
13 <i>Batten pocket patches</i> at inner end		
of each <i>batten pocket</i> : smaller		150mm
larger	160mm	200mm

Rule 6.4 (19)

Amendment: Delete existing rule and replace with the following wording:

	Minimum	Maximum
19 <i>Batten pocket length</i> outside:		
upper batten pocket		460mm
lower batten pocket		550mm

END
