

Class Rule Changes

International Dragon Class Association

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Amendment One

11. EQUIPMENT

Amend to add:

11.11 The following equipment may be on board while racing:

4 A device to assist Race Officers in start and race management as well as tracking of boats. This device with the functionality of OCS/Clear start messaging after the start assists Race Officers in start management.

5 GPS device(s). The Notice of Race may amend this rule at events other than World Championships, European Championships, Gold Cups and IDA Grade I regattas.

Amendment Two

12.

Old:

12.20 Any devices transmitting or correlating data relative to rig tension or wind direction or speed or boat speed and location, by means such as, but not limited to, electronic, mechanical, hydraulic or pneumatic are prohibited. Depth sounders may be permitted by an Organizing Authority for races within its jurisdiction

Amend to read:

12.20 Any devices transmitting or correlating data relative to rig tension or wind direction or **wind** speed or speed **through water** and location, by means such as, but not limited to, electronic, mechanical, hydraulic or pneumatic are prohibited **save for location data transmitted or correlated by devices when permitted by Rules 11.11.4 and 11.11.5**. Depth sounders may be permitted by an Organizing Authority for races within its jurisdiction.

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Amendment Three

1.24 ADVERTISING

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In accordance with Regulation 20.5 no Competitor Advertising¹ may be displayed on any **boat**² Bow or hull stickers made of non-biodegradable material are not permitted.”

In accordance with Regulation 20.4.1.4 Event Advertising on the boom shall be displayed on the aft part of the boom.

[Note: An Organising Authority may require that boats display advertising in accordance with Regulation 20.4 which may include Bow Numbers, Advertising on not more than 20% of the boom length, and a backstay flag]

¹ For defined terms see World Sailing Regulation 20

² As defined in World Sailing Equipment Rules of Sailing

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In accordance with [World Sailing Advertising Code Regulation 20.5](#) no Competitor Advertising¹ may be displayed on any **boat**² Bow or hull stickers made of non-biodegradable material are not permitted.”

In accordance with [World Sailing Advertising Code Regulation 20.4.1.4](#) Event Advertising on the boom shall be displayed on the aft part of the boom.

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Reasons:

Housekeeping

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Amendment Four

6.21

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6.21 The mast shall be constructed out of one continuous drawn extrusion with a section weight of not less than 2.2kg/m. A repair by sleeving a mast, of length not longer than 1m, shall not be considered as infringing this rule.

Amend to read:

6.21 The mast shall be constructed out of one continuous drawn extrusion with a section weight of not less than 2.2kg/m. A repair by sleeving a mast, of length not longer than 1,7m, shall not be considered as infringing this rule.

Reasons:

To legalise best practice in mast repair and keep more masts in service longer.