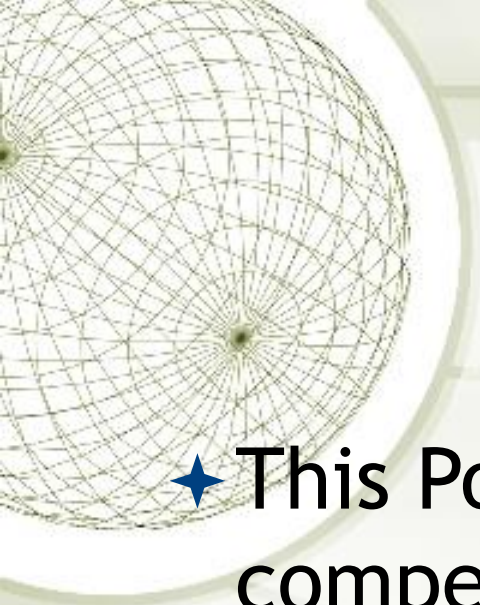


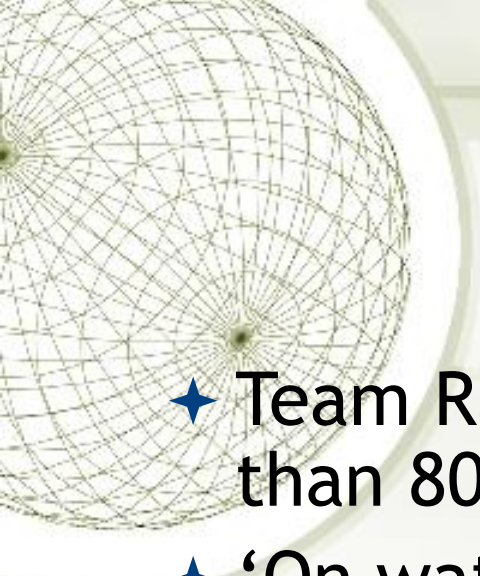
Team Racing

Respect, Roles, Rules

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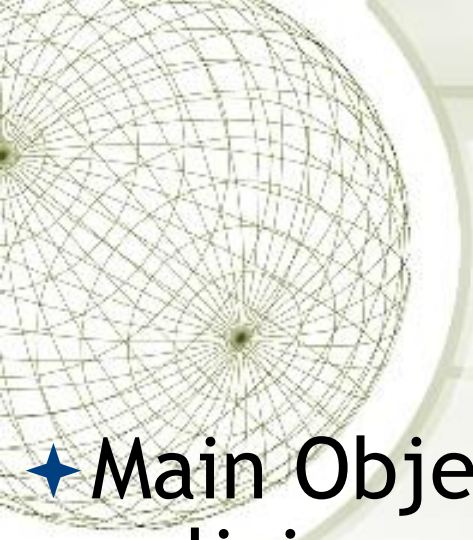
Overview

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- ★ This PowerPoint aims to maximize competitor/official understanding
 - ★ People see things from a different perspectives and this needs to be respected by all parties.



A little history

- ★ Team Racing has been practised for more than 80 years
- ★ ‘On water umpiring’ was first implemented in the 1980’s and has continued to develop since.
- ★ UK developed two tier penalty system in 1991
- ★ The Team Racing Call Book and Umpire Manual have only been official since 1999.
- ★ This aspect of our sport will continue to develop.



Team Racing Umpiring

- ★ Main Objective - allow racing to be self policing
- ★ Provide an “on water protest committee” when the incident is not resolved by the parties to the protest
- ★ With rare exceptions, Team Race Umpires are not proactive
- ★ Role is to decide protests as racing continues

Umpire decision making process

- ★ If there is doubt - back to the 'last point of certainty'
- ★ Still doubt? - then apply guidelines in RRS for some scenarios (ie 18.2 (e) Overlap rights)
- ★ It is a principle of team racing umpiring that when the umpires disagree and it cannot be resolved quickly - a green flag is appropriate, even if contact (without damage) is observed.
- ★ It is usual practice to dismiss a protest against a boat that may have broken a rule than to give an incorrect penalty to a boat that has not broken a rule.



Boat allocation to umpires

- ★ Umpires will be allocated boat numbers from one team
- ★ Umpires will observe their numbered boat and have responsibility for calls concerning incidents involving that boat
- ★ Umpires may pass responsibility to another umpire

Competitors

- ★ When protesting (red flag) - you are protesting the other boat, not the umpire - give the boat time and opportunity to take the penalty.
- ★ When it is apparent that the other boat is not responding to your protest, you may hail “umpire” (display yellow flag) - the protest decision is now in the hands of the umpire - get on with the race!



Competitors

★ **Do yourself a favour by:**

- ★ When unsure of a call, ask politely for the “umpire’s view on how they saw the incident at
- ★ Respecting the umpires/officials. They are volunteers supporting your event and are providing an invaluable service



It's all a matter of perspective

You see a well dressed man is walking along a pavement, and a scruffy man running up and throwing him bodily against a wall. ...perception?

Step back and you see the well dressed man just about to be hit by a swinging crane...and saved by the scruffy man.

It is just perspective - the same thing was seen, but with different perspective the outcome was totally different. This is what can happen on the water!



Who can protest who for what

- ★ **One boat can protest another for breaches of the following rules**
 - ★ Rules of Part 2 (when boats meet)
 - ★ Rule 31.1 (Touching a mark)
 - ★ Rule 42 (Propulsion)
 - ★ Rule 44 (Taking a penalty (Failure to take a penalty correctly))



Who can protest who for what

★ **Boats cannot call for immediate ruling from the umpires for breaches of:**

- ★ Rule 2 (Fair Sailing)
- ★ Rule 14 (Avoiding Contact)
- ★ Rule 28 (Sailing a course)
- ★ Rule D2.2(c) (Umpire penalty)

Note: App D 2.4c - There shall be no request for redress or appeal by a boat arising from a decision, action or non-action by an umpire.



Who can protest who for what

★ **Boats may take a One Turn penalty for:**

- ★ Breaches of rules of Part 2 (except Rule 14)
- ★ Breaches of rule 31.1 (Touching a Mark)
- ★ Breaches of rule 42 (Propulsion)



Who can protest who for what

Boats cannot exonerate themselves for:

- ✦ Breaches of rule 2 (Fair Sailing)
- ✦ Breaches of rule 44 (Taking a penalty)
- ✦ Gaining a significant advantage (Call M3)



Umpires

★ Penalties initiated by umpires

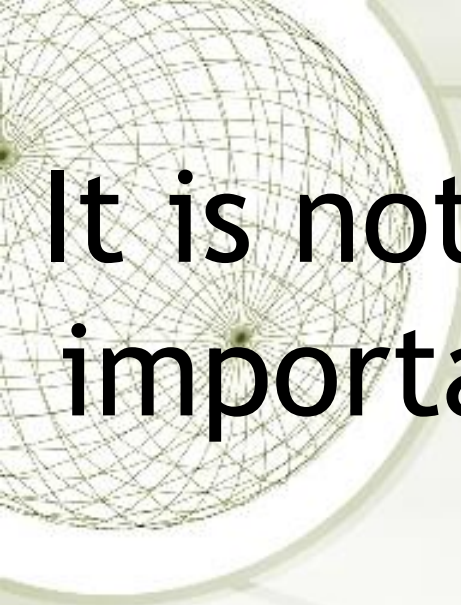
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- ★ Breaches of rule 42 (Propulsion)
- ★ Breaches of rule D2.2(c) (Umpire penalty)
- ★ When a team gains an advantage despite taking a penalty



Umpires

★ **Black flag for:**

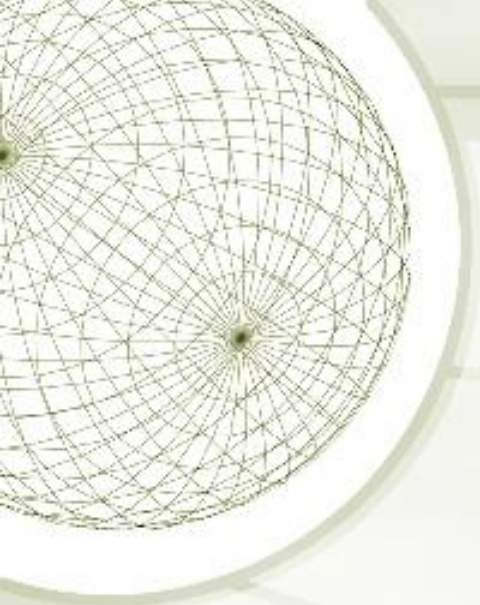
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- ★ Breaches of rule 28 (Sailing the course)
- ★ Breaches of rule D2.2(c) (Umpire penalty)
- ★ Gaining a significant advantage (Call M3)



It is not whether you win that is important, it is how you played the game.

Playing the game and Winning is awesome!

Have a great regatta



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