

SCIRA Proposal Form

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Summary: Change on race course and speed limits

Affects:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Constitution	<input type="checkbox"/>	By-Laws	x	Class Rules
<input type="checkbox"/>	Deed of Gift	x	Rules of Conduct	x	NoR or SI Template
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other				

Objective: Update class courses

Proposal (include current & proposed changed wording- changes to be shown in red):

Race Courses and Requirements (see Course Selection Diagram)

5. Any course used for a World, European or Western Hemisphere & Orient Championship shall be one of those shown in the Course Selection Diagram in the SCIRA Official Rulebook (for National Championships, use of SCIRA course Selection Diagram is strongly encouraged, though an additional variant course to accommodate local conditions may also be used subject to the approval of the National Secretary of the country. The first leg of the variant course shall be made to make the first leg a minimum of ½ nautical mile.)

Courses W-2, T-2 and W-2 shall be used in any race of a day, but not in the last one.

5.1 Courses shall be determined to last approximately 60-75 minutes. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. (This changes rule 62.1(a)).5.2 Course marks shall be left to port.

5.3 The number of legs in a race may be reduced (using the shorten course procedure, RRS code flag S) but at least 2 (two) windward legs of the race shall be completed (this changed RRS 32.2)

5.4 After completion of the first windward leg of the race the remaining legs may be increased or decreased (RRS 33+-) by not more than 30% of the original length (this changes RRS 33).

5.5 A sustained wind variation of 20 degrees or more from the posted bearing during the first leg of a race shall result in that race to be abandoned and re-sailed, or abandoned. (This changes RRS 32.1)

5.6 A sustained variation of 40 degrees or more off the posted bearing during the first lap shall result in that race being abandoned and re-sailed or abandoned. For the purpose of this rule a lap means the rounding of mark 3 for the first time. (This changes RRS 32.1)

Weather Limitations (Course and Starting)

9. A race shall not be started unless the Race Committee and SCIRA Representative are confident that a fair race can be completed.

9.1 The wind speed ranges shall be no less than 5 knots and not to exceed **23** ~~25~~ knots ~~on protected waters and 22 knots on open waters~~ or in accordance with the applicable Deed of Gift.

9.2 If during a race the wind and or wave action increases to the point where a windward-leeward course or Olympic course would be inadvisable (See Course Selection Diagram), the Race Committee shall display Flag "T" or "O" at any mark. In case of wind decrease during the race the Race Committee can change the course selection from "T" to "O" or "W" displaying the appropriate flag at any mark. A change

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of the type of course during the race, at any mark, shall be signalled displaying the new appropriate flag and accompanied by repetitive sounds before the leading boat has passed or rounded the mark.

9.3 Wind reading instruments shall be between 2 and 3 meter above the surface of the water. The duration of reading shall be 3 consecutive minutes prior the race warning. The wind reading shall be taken from an unobstructed area on the boat, it is recommended that there be a minimum 4 meters of free space surrounding the wind instruments. If during the race the wind speed goes over the maximum wind speed allowed for more than 5 consecutive minutes the race shall be abandoned. (This changes RRS 32.1)

- For Masters events the maximum wind speed allowed shall 15 knots
- For Women's events the maximum wind speed allowed shall 18 knots

Race course recommendations:

0 - 5 knots	Do not start
6 - 18 knots	Windward/Leeward (W ; W-2)
15 - 18 knots	Olympic, Triangle-windward-leeward (O ; O-2)
19-23 knots	Triangle (T ; T-2)
24 and above knots	Do not start

To be added to the Course diagram selection

