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Summary:

Affects:

| | Constitution | | By-Laws | \square | Class Rules |
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| | Deed of Gift | | Rules of Conduct | | NoR or SI Template |
| | Other | | | | |

Objective:

Remove mainsail battens for measurement

Proposal:

<u>G.4 MEASUREMENT</u> <u>Mainsail battens shall be in place removed.</u> <u>Sails shall be measured according to the International Measurer's Manual</u>

Reasons:

World Sailing Equipment Rules of Sailing Section H.5 Sail Measurement, item H.5.1(c) prescribes that sails should be measured without battens in place unless class rules specify otherwise. The current rule has battens in place, making it difficult to locate the actual 1/4, 1/2, and 3/4 girth locations. Additionally, battens must be removed anyway during measurement to check their length. Removing the battens for measurement makes measuring easier and parallelizes the measurement process. The location of the girth marks will move at most a few millimeters and have a negligible effect on actual sail measurements.