

Porto Cervo, 5 - 8 July 2018

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**Amendment No. 3**

**Add new S.I. 1.6:**

**Bowsprit Restrictions:**

- (a) The bowsprit shall be fully retracted at all times except when the gennaker is set or actively being set or recovered, and shall be retracted at the first reasonable opportunity after lowering the gennaker.  
The umpire(s) will consider the gennaker is actively being set (hoisting) when the gennaker head is continuously moving upwards and the gennaker would fill on the course the boat is sailing at that time.  
The bowsprit extending, or the tack(s) being pulled out will not be considered as hoisting.
- (b) Infringements to SI 1.6(a) may be penalized by the umpire(s), under Addendum Q3.1 and Q4.1.
- (c) A boat will not be penalised under SI 1.6(a) except when the boat interferes with another boat while its bowsprit is not fully retracted and it is contributory to umpiring that incident.
- (d) The umpire(s) will not consider the bowsprit for overlaps unless the gennaker is hoisted above the forestay rigging point (intersection of forestay and mast).
- (e) Contact with the extended bowsprit would be considered "hard" contact but if the bowsprit has been extended long enough for the keep clear boat to be able to reasonably see it, even if it contravenes the rule, she must keep clear. However under SI 1.6(c) the other boat will be penalized as well.

A breach of SI 1.6 is not open to protest by boats but is subject to action by umpire(s) in accordance with Addendum Q3.1 and Q4.1.

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**At the end of Q4.1(g) add the following:**

...SI 1.6(c).

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**Add new S.I. 1.7:**

**Contact**

- (a) When the umpire(s) observe or the jury receive a report of "hard" contact (defined as contact between hull, bowsprit, stanchion, pulpit, pushpit, spar or standing rigging against another boat's hull, bowsprit, stanchion, pulpit, pushpit, spar or standing rigging), they will impose a minimum of one point penalty on the penalised boat in the incident without a hearing.  
Furthermore they may also impose a minimum of a half point penalty on the other boat without a hearing.
- (b) When there is contact that causes damage, or the umpire(s) decide a boat has broken RRS 14 and damage resulted, they shall impose a penalty on either one or both boats without a hearing. In this case the minimum penalty for the penalized boat(s) in the incident is one point.

Organizing Authority

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