

Technical Chairman Report of the year 2010/2011

The following matters has been discussed and decided as follows:

GPS on board while racing: This matter has been discussed during the whole year and as the situation is now, after some surveys, that there will be a proposal for a change to allow, with some limitations, in 2013. See also comments in Chairman's report.

After discussions regarding bigger windows in sails TC will suggest a change of rule 9.13 to allow a total area of 0.5m² in each sail. This should be valid from 2013.

A new wording for clarification of rule 9.21 will be added. New wording shall be: the luff and foot of the sail shall have continuous bolt ropes which shall be within the full length of the relevant spar grooves while racing.

Jib measurement middle point has been discussed. This is to avoid strange shape of the jib in the aft under part. There will be a proposal for a new wording for the AGM in Travemuende.

The "lifetime" of the jib is too short. To extend the lifetime several suggestions has been discussed. TC will propose a change of rule 9.35 to allow longer battens in jib. Batten length shall now be 300mm, 400mm and 600mm. For the same reason a discussion is going on to evaluate the possibilities for optional material of the jib. This question is now forwarded to the sailors for their opinion and the discussion will continue.

TC has discussed corrector weights position. A clarification of the rule will come.

TC has been informed that most of the plastic boats have there floors in the bottom of the boat in the wrong place and one is missing. TC is now working on a solution for this and a question must be asked to former Folkebådcentralen why it is done like this. Is there a reason? A practical solution will be found to handle this for old and new boats.

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