

RESOLUTION

Resolutions for consideration at the 2020 Annual Meeting must be received at the Central Office by 7 July, 2020



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PURPOSE:

Amend

Replace

RULE _____ 31.2.6 _____ as follows:
(number and title)

OR

SPECIFICATION _____ as follows:
(number and title)

PROPOSED TEXT:

Old wording (Rule 2020):

31.2.6. Electronic devices which provide direction information and timers are allowed. The costs for these devices should not exceed USD \$1000. The use of prototypes is not allowed. VHF radios are allowed. A competitor may carry a VHF radio for safety purposes and race committee communication. Use of the VHF radio is not permitted while racing except for emergencies. This restriction may be modified to allow communication from the Race Committee to competitors on a predetermined channel if so stated in both the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions and if not prohibited by law.

New wording (Rule 2021)

31.2.6. Electronic devices

In case of any questions whether an electronic device would be considered class legal, please contact the Star Class TAB, which maintains a list of recommended devices.

Generally, it is the intention of the Star Class Rules to refrain from approving any device which is either a prototype or at excessive cost to the owner. As a guidance the Electronic device used during racing must not have a recommended retail price (RRP) of more than US\$1000,- or the equivalent in local currency. Furthermore, Computer systems (including Laptops and Tablets) and smartphones capable of running other Applications as well as wearables (intelligent watches or glasses) are forbidden during ISCYRA events.

(a) Compass / Timer / Computer

Electronic devices which provide **only** direction information and timers are **generally** allowed.

Electronic devices which provide additional information are allowed, if

(i) all information the crew of the boat could use during racing is contained within the device.

(ii) no information can be uploaded to the device whilst racing.

(iii) the information processed by the device is based on positioning data gathered through means publicly available, ie. GPS Data.

No device is allowed which gathers additional data online or through interfaces, for example, but not limited to weather information or wind readings.

(b) VHF Radios

Handheld VHF radios are allowed. A competitor may carry a VHF radio for safety purposes and race committee communication. Use of the VHF radio is not permitted while racing except for emergencies. This restriction may be modified to allow communication from the Race Committee to competitors on a predetermined channel if so stated in both the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions and if not prohibited by law.

Note:

New text is in *italic*

Words **highlighted** have been added to the original wording.

Please also note:

The submission 2020_for_2021_Resolution_Form_Rule31.2.6-AlternativeA and 2020_for_2021_Resolution_Form_Rule31.2.6-AlternativeB are mutually exclusive. Only the submission getting the most votes during the AGM should be submitted in the Ballot.

REASON:

Whilst the Preamble to the Star Class rule characterizes the Star Boat as a “high tech” boat which “has constantly advanced the technical development of the boat and sailing in general”, the class acknowledges that the latest development in computing technology is hard to keep up with. Considering itself as a technical boat, the class rules also intend to keep the cost of competition and the Star Boat itself relatively low.

Technological advances make it obvious, that there are now certain possibilities a star sailor might explore, like the use of wind readings or include weather data during racing to find the best track around the race course. The class would need to limit the use of such information to keep the skill of the crew deciding races, not the CPU power of additional devices added under the Compass Ruling.

Please also note:

The TAB should keep an updated list of all recommended devices, similar to this

Device Name	Year recommended	Main Functionality	TAB Classification
Tacktick Race Master	prior 2020	Heading, Windshift Indicator, Timer	Compass
Velocitek ProStart	2020	Heading, Windshift Indicator, Timer, Distance to Line	Start Computer
Sailmon Max	2020	Heading, Windshift Indicator, Timer, Distance to Line, Time to Line, Heel, Pitch	Sail Computer
Vakaros	2020 - forbidden		Sail Computer

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Date Received: _____