

# 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

*The Star Class Technical Advisory Board (TAB) maintains a list of recommended electronic devices and only those approved by the TAB and listed on the Star Class Website are allowed to use during ISCYRA events.*

(a) Compass / Timer / Computer

~~Electronic devices which provide only direction information and timers are generally allowed. Self-contained digital compasses – giving no more than direction, tacking prompt and timer are allowed as is GPS positioning.~~

(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.

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Please 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.

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## REASON:

Trying to formulate a rule which covers the already existing possibilities a star sailor might explore to gain additional information through readily available technology (not limited to the use of tablets with specific applications or even wearables like smart glasses showing a wide variety of information) appears to be difficult. Especially trying to include future developments is impossible, with technology getting more advanced and less expensive, it should be a constant process to evaluate such developments and approve or disapprove them on a regular basis. Changing the class rule on electronic devices in a way that empowers the technical committee (TAB) to decide on the use of such technology on an annual basis would allow for future developments to be assessed periodically and included as recommended devices in starboat racing. It also opens up the possibility for a sailor or a company to seek approval from the TAB for a technology which then may be marketed respectively.

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	Reason for approval
<b>Tacktick Race Master</b>	prior 2020	Heading, Windshift Indicator, Timer	Compass	Bespoke device
<b>Velocitek Shift</b>	Prior 2020	Heading, Windshift Indicator, Timer	Compass	Bespoke device mimicking the functionality of the TackTick Race Master
<b>Velocitek ProStart</b>	2020	Heading, Windshift Indicator, Timer, Distance to Line	Start Computer	...
<b>Sailmon Max</b>	2020	Heading, Windshift Indicator, Timer, Distance to Line, Time to Line, Heel, Pitch	Sail Computer	...
<b>Vakaros</b>	2020 - forbidden	...	Sail Computer	Excessive Cost above the RRP 1000 \$ threshold

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Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_