

# RESOLUTION

Resolutions for consideration at the 2021 Annual Meeting must be received at the Central Office by **May 7, 2021**



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**PURPOSE:**                       Amend                      x  Replace

RULE 31.2.6 EQUIPMENT \_\_\_\_\_ as follows:

#### 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 be used during ISCYRA events.

- (a) Compass/Timer/Computer: Self-contained digital compasses – giving no more than direction, tacking prompt and timer are allowed as is GPS positioning.
- (b) 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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**OR**

SPECIFICATION \_\_\_\_\_ as follows:

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### PROPOSED TEXT:

Allowed devices on board capable of receiving man made signals are limited to VHF radio. This bans all GPS and wireless devices including GPS compasses, watches, phones etc. This also bans wireless or wired connections on the boat including windvanes, paddlewheels etc. To avoid ambiguity VHF radios that receive GPS data are permitted, but may only be used to receive radio communication from the race committee or in an emergency. A boat found in violation of this rule will be disqualified from any series in which she has competed with these devices on board.

Consistent with this rule compasses are restricted to models that display magnetic heading and time. The TAB may list allowed device models consistent with this rule and amend this list over time.

**REASON:** Objective: To ban distance to starting line, VMG, boatspeed, windspeed and other information from racing. The availability of this information does nothing to improve the quality of our sailing and diminishes our skills. Additionally it may be that reliance on distance to line information has made it difficult for us to get fair starts at major regattas due to competitors relying on the device and crowding the line. We are supposed to be the best sailors on the planet, and these devices diminish both our skills and the quality of our racing. It is the intent of this rule to 'revert' our allowed devices to compass and timer with the allowance of the VHF for safety purposes only.

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