

**Changes made in *The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2005-2008* by ISAF  
and in the US SAILING Prescriptions  
since January 1, 2005**

Since January 1, 2005, there have been two changes in *The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2005-2008* and three changes in the US SAILING prescriptions to those rules.

**Rule 3(c)**

After the US SAILING edition of *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2005-2008* was printed and distributed, the International Sailing Federation (ISAF) made a change in rule 3(c). Rule 3(c) as it appears in the printed rulebooks has been deleted and replaced with the following rule:

- (c) where the matter is not one to be determined under the *rules*, not to resort to any court of law or any tribunal until all internal remedies provided by ISAF or by the Court of Arbitration for Sport have been exhausted.**

This rule, which began to apply on January 1, 2005, covers matters that are not “to be determined under the *rules*,” such as a boat owner challenging a measurer’s decision or a one-design sailor challenging a class rule change. Such incidents occur between regattas when there is no possibility of protesting or appealing under the racing rules. In such a case, new rule 3(c) will require that the remedies provided by ISAF and by the Court of Arbitration for Sport be exhausted before a boat or competitor goes to court. (The Court of Arbitration for Sport is an international institution created in 1983 that arbitrates sports-related disputes. The court’s web site is at [www.tas-cas.org](http://www.tas-cas.org)).

Rule 3(c), as it appears in the printed rulebooks, was considered unnecessary because rule 3(b) points out that a decision on a matter covered by the racing rules is considered final after the appeal and review procedures provided in the racing rules have been exhausted.

**Rule 40.2 Note**

At the November 2005 ISAF meeting, ISAF changed the note that appears after rule 40.2 to read:

***Note: This rule takes effect on 1 January 2009.***

This change was made to give ISAF additional time to develop criteria for measurers to use to enforce this rule and manufacturers time to develop devices that meet those criteria.

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### **Prescription to Rule 86.3**

In October 2005 US SAILING changed its prescription to rule 86.3. The following sentence was added to the prescription:

**However, proposed rules may also be tested at other events if, for each event, the organizing authority first obtains written permission from US SAILING and the proposed rules are included in the notice of race and sailing instructions.**

### **Appendix F, Rule F1.1**

Effective January 1, 2005, US SAILING changed rule F1.1 in Appendix F to accommodate a request from the Intercollegiate and Interscholastic Sailing Associations. Insert the following sentence between the first and second sentences of rule F1.1:

**However, an appeal or request arising from an event run under the procedural rules of either the Intercollegiate Sailing Association or the Interscholastic Sailing Association will be forwarded to the association appeals committee for the ICSA and ISSA.**

### **Appendix F, Rule F1.3**

Effective January 1, 2005, US SAILING changed rule F1.3 to correct an unintended omission in rule F1.3. Rule F1.3 was changed to read as follows:

**F1.3 Appeals of decisions of a protest committee acting under rule 69.1, appeals of decisions of a protest committee of a US SAILING national championship, and requests by such committees for confirmation or correction of their decisions shall be made to the US SAILING Appeals Committee.**