



“What if a boat that is entitled to mark-room in the zone sails out of the zone before rounding the mark; when she re-enters, does she retain her original rights or is it a whole new ball game?”

It’s a whole new ball game. Rule 18.2(d) says, “*Rules 18.2(b) and (c) cease to apply if the boat entitled to **mark-room**...leaves the **zone**.*” Note, it doesn’t matter **why** she left the *zone*. She could have been giving *mark-room* to several boats inside her, or she could have been carried out by the current, or she may have lost control of her boat. In every case where she leaves the *zone*, she does not carry back in any rights or obligations she had before she left; it is a whole new situation.