

THE RACING RULES OF SAILING 2021-2024
Marginal Marking Details

2021-2024 Edition

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2017-2020 Edition

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- (a) need not act to avoid contact until it is clear that the other boat is not *keeping clear* or giving *room* or *mark-room*, and
- (b) shall be exonerated if she breaks this rule and the contact does not cause damage or injury.

Comments from [The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 Study Version](#)

- Submission 137-17.
- Changes in (a) and (b) are consequential to Submission 164-19.