

THE RACING RULES OF SAILING 2021-2024
Marginal Marking Details

2021-2024 Edition

43 EXONERATION

- 43.1**
- (a) When as a consequence of breaking a *rule* a boat has compelled another boat to break a *rule*, the other boat is exonerated for her breach.
 - (b) When a boat is sailing within the *room* or *mark-room* to which she is entitled and, as a consequence of an incident with a boat required to give her that *room* or *mark-room*, she breaks a rule of Section A of Part 2, rule 15, 16, or 31, she is exonerated for her breach.
 - (c) A right-of-way boat, or one sailing within the *room* or *mark-room* to which she is entitled, is exonerated for breaking rule 14 if the contact does not cause damage or injury.
- 43.2** A boat exonerated for breaking a *rule* need not take a penalty and shall not be penalized for breaking that *rule*.

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Not included in prior edition. Consolidated from previous rules 14(b), 21 and 64.1(a).

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

- Current rule 43, Competitor Clothing and Equipment, has been relocated as a result of Submission 164-19, Proposal 1. It will be rule 50 in the 2021-2024 RRS.
- This new rule 43 is the result of Submissions 128-19 as edited, 148-19, as edited, 153-19 and 164-19, Proposal 1. See the Supporting Paper on Exoneration appended to the Yellow Paper.
- [In rule 43.1(b)] Word order changed for clarity.
- [In rule 43.1(c)] Consequential change as a result of Submission 137-17, as edited.