

Amendment to the Class Rules

The International Executive Committee has authorised the following amendments to the Class Rules for the racing in events organised by the MED RCA.

After Class Rule C.1.1(b)(iv) add new (v) as follows:

“(v) Section 4 – Portable Equipment and Section 5 – Personal Equipment.”

After Class Rule C.4.1(a)(i) add the following:

- “(ii) A personal flotation device meeting the requirements of ISO 12402-5:2020 (Buoyancy aids (level 50) – Safety requirements), or equivalent standard for every member of **crew** on board.
- (iii) 2 fire extinguishers in different parts of the boat.
- (iv) A first aid kit, the contents of which reflect the likely conditions and duration of the race or races and the number of **crew**.
- (v) A manually operated bilge pump.
- (vi) A soft tapered wooden plug per through **hull** opening stored adjacent to the opening.
- (vii) A marine grade handheld VHF radio that is waterproof or in a waterproof cover
- (viii) An effective means to quickly disconnect or sever the **standing rigging** from the boat.
- (ix) 2 strong 9 litre buckets with lanyards.
- (x) A strong sharp knife secured in a restrained sheath accessible from the cockpit.
- (xi) A lifebuoy with a whistle and a drogue.”

After Class Rule C.4.1(a), add new (b):

- “(b) The equipment listed in (a) shall be readily accessible, fit for the intended purpose and be regularly inspected by the boat’s person in charge described in RRS 46 to ensure the equipment remains fit for purpose. In addition, where the equipment is inflatable, it shall be serviced in accordance with the manufacturer’s requirements and inspected for air retention at least annually.”

Add new Class Rule C.5.5(c):

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- (i) Boats shall have a Vakaros Atlas 2 installed on the deck according to the supplier's instructions and any other provisions in the Notice of Race and/or Sailing Instructions.
- (ii) The Vakaros unit in (i) shall be mounted to a bracket supplied by MadMounts which shall be installed as follows:
 - The aft edge of the bracket shall be 4440mm from the forward edge of the load cell pin on the forestay.
 - The starboard edge of the bracket shall be 100mm from the inside jammer.
- (iii) The bracket and Vakaros unit shall be protected by the accompanying shell provided by MadMounts.”

Class Rule C.5.7(b) and (c) are deleted.

Class Rule C.7.2(1) is replaced by the following:

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- (i) Not more than 1 **mainsail**, 2 **headsails** and 3 **spinnakers** shall be on board.
 - (ii) Notwithstanding (i) above, the heavy weather jib described in OSR 4.26.1 may be on board in addition to the 2 **headsails** referred to therein.”
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