

2017 Zhik 29er World Championship

Advice for Competitors on rule 42 from the International Jury

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The World Sailing Interpretations of rule 42 will be used by the International Jury throughout the 2017 Zhik 29er World Championship. A link to the World Sailing interpretations has been posted on the ONB.

Past event guidance documents have been withdrawn for revision and will not be used by the International Jury during the Championship.

Below are some excerpts from RRS 42 and World Sailing Interpretations of rule 42. The International Jury feels these excerpts may be useful to many boats. Competitors should refer to the RRS for the complete version of Rule 42.

42.3 Exceptions

- (d) When a boat is above a close-hauled course and either stationary or moving slowly, she may scull to turn to a close-hauled course.

- SCULL 1 Provided the boat's course is above close-hauled and she clearly changes direction towards a close-hauled course, *repeated* forceful movements of the helm are permitted, until the boat is on a close-hauled course. This action is permitted even if the boat gains speed. She may scull to turn to a close-hauled course on either tack.
- SCULL 2 **After a boat has sculled in one direction, further connected sculling to offset the first sculling action is prohibited.**
- SCULL 3 Sculling to offset steering of the boat caused by backing a sail is prohibited.

Jury Comment – connected sculling in both directions is prohibited.

42.3 Exceptions

- (e) If a batten is inverted, the boat's crew may pump the sail until the batten is no longer inverted. **This action is not permitted if it clearly propels the boat.**

Jury Comment – Except when permitted under rule 42.3, pumping can only be done in a way that does not propel the boat. BASIC 4 still applies to this action:

- BASIC 4 Except when permitted under rule 42.3, any single action of the body that clearly propels the boat (in any direction) is prohibited.**

Jury Comment – Actions such as heaving on the trapeze, bouncing on the wing or pulling the main forcefully into the center with the body to un-invert the battens run a very high risk of breaching this rule 42.3 (e) and BASIC 5. Judges can observe a breach of 42.2 (a) or an action clearly propelling a boat from many angles.

42.2 Prohibited Actions

Without limiting the application of rule 42.1, these actions are prohibited:

- (a) pumping: repeated fanning of any sail either by pulling in and releasing the sail or by vertical or athwartships body movement;

- PUMP 1 Fanning is moving a sail in and out not in response to wind shifts, gusts or waves.**

Jury Comment – Fanning is most often observed in light winds, when the crew moves in and out on trapeze, usually without flicking the leech.