

The Role of the Rolex Commodores Cup Rules Advisor

1.0 Organisation

- 1.1 The Rules Advisor shall be responsible to the Team Coach.
- 1.2 Responsible to the Rules Coach shall be any person specifically appointed to assist the Rules Coach.

2.0 Rules Policy

- 2.1 To produce, after consultation and review with RCC Selectors, Team Captains and Team Coach, a rules policy for the team.

3.0 Rules and Regulations

- 3.1 To maintain a complete, up to date set of all rules, regulations, instructions, official notices and other documents (hereafter 'rules') applicable to the RCC.
- 3.2 To be sufficiently familiar with these rules to be able to readily refer to the appropriate rule.
- 3.3 When in no doubt as to the interpretation of the rules to respond to queries from team members.
- 3.4 When there is doubt as to the interpretation, to act as a focal point between the team and the organising authority for all queries relating to the rules.

To maintain a record of such queries and the response received.

To ensure that the response is communicated to the teams as appropriate.

If in this case an immediate response is required the rules advisor shall use best judgement and also indicate the areas of doubt.

- 3.5 Based on the rules, produce checklists and monitor their implementation as required in order to ensure rules compliance. These would normally include:
 - (i) A list of rules applicable
 - (ii) A chronological list of requirements leading up to the event(s)
 - (iii) A daily checklist appropriate to the role of each team member.
 - (iv) Quick reference guide to the sailing instructions.
- 3.6 Produce and implement a system for assessing and communicating official notice and the effects of these to appropriate team members.

4.0 Protests

- 4.1 Produce and monitor the implementation of a plan of observation to give the best chance of producing protest evidence.
- 4.2 To provide guidance for the presentation of protests.

- 4.3 To monitor all protests and claims for redress at the regatta and produce relevant reports on these to team members.
- 4.4 To maintain records and information relating to possible protests against particular opponents.
- 4.5 To maintain records and information relating to any possible protests by opponents.
- 4.6 To provide a draft statement for team coach to issue to the media for any pending protests or redress claims.
- 4.7 When there are protests between GBR team boats, to discuss with the team coach what support, if any, should be offered to which boat, and implement the agreed policy.

5.0 Tactics

- 5.1 To maintain information on tactical options available in different situations.
- 5.2 Preparation of information relating to outstanding protests, scoring system and position of opponents.
- 5.3 Provide input to discussions on future tactics.

6.0 Training

- 6.1 To respond to requests from the management team and when possible from team members for training. This may include lectures, seminars, papers, tests or quizzes and de-briefings.