



Creation of the Classic Discipline

Official change of the Class Rules of the International A-Division Catamaran Association is validated by World Sailing

Dear presidents of national associations,

In a long process that has started in 2017, the creation of the Classics Discipline is now official. Following the class ballot of January that was accepted by 95.28% of the voting members, and as for Constitution §11, we have submitted the result to World Sailing for confirmation.

During the validation process between World Sailing and the IACA, a loophole has been identified in the submitted rule change, precisely in C.2.1.2(b), which originally stated «*Rudder rake adjustment whilst racing is not allowed*». At least one boat builder has a system to adjust the rudder winglet while the rudder blade is fixed. As such, and in accordance with World Sailing, the wording of C.2.1.2(b) has been adjusted to close the loophole, it now states «*Any adjustment of rudder rake and/or any hydrofoil attached to the rudder whilst racing is not allowed.*».

As of 1.4.2021, World Sailing has approved the Class Rules Change, they are now official for the class and the updated rules will soon be published to a-cat.org. An updated «Measurer's Guidelines» is being worked on and will be published as soon as possible.

Validity of the new Class Rules

The updated Class Rules are valid from 1st of April 2021. The new Classics Discipline will be applied for the next major events – starting with the Euro 2021 in Cádiz/Spain.

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