

Racing Rules of Sailing

Rule 63.3(b)

A submission from the Chair of the Racing Rules Committee

Purpose or Objective

A housekeeping change following the agreed change in 019-22 for consistency between the rules in the RRS that deal with reopening a hearing.

Proposal 1

Change rule 63.3(b) as shown:

63.3 Right to Be Present

- (a) A representative of each *party* to the hearing has the right to be present throughout the hearing of all the evidence. When a *protest* claims a breach of a rule of Part 2, 3 or 4, the representatives of boats shall have been on board at the time of the incident, unless there is good reason for the protest committee to rule otherwise. Any witness, other than a member of the protest committee, shall be excluded except when giving evidence.
- (b) If a *party* to a hearing does not come to the hearing, the protest committee may nevertheless proceed with the hearing. ~~If the party was unavoidably absent, the committee may reopen the hearing.~~

Current Position

See above.

Reasons

1. The approved Submission 019-22 adds the above deleted sentence to rule 66.1, thus making it unnecessary to mention in rule 63.3(b).
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