

Appendix F

Definition Keep Clear

A submission from the International Formula Kite Class Association

Purpose or Objective

To resolve a situation where a right-of-way kiteboard can be locked by the keep-clear kiteboard

Proposal

Keep Clear A kiteboard *keeps clear* of a right-of-way kiteboard

- (a) if the right-of-way kiteboard can sail her course with no need to take avoiding action and,
- (b) ~~when the kiteboards are overlapped,~~ if the right-of-way kiteboard can also change course in both directions or move her kite in any direction without immediately making contact.

Current Position

As above.

Reasons

1. Currently the definition keep-clear (b) only applies when the hulls of the kiteboards are overlapped. With the length of the board being up to 1,5 meters and the total length of the kite being approximately 15 meters, often the kite of a clear astern kiteboard is very close to the hull of a clear ahead kiteboard. It is critical that the definition keep-clear (b) also applies when kiteboards have this relationship.
 2. With the proposed change, definition keep-clear (b) would also apply between kiteboards on opposite tacks. This implication does not have an undesired consequence.
 3. As per Appendix HS
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