

## **Equipment Rules of Sailing**

### G.7.13 Spinnaker Half Girth

A submission from the Equipment Committee, Classes Committee and 420 Class

#### **Purpose or Objective**

To add an alternative method of controlling spinnaker size, still used by certain classes.

#### **Proposal**

Add new item:

#### **G.7.13 Spinnaker Half Girth \***

The distance between a point on the **luff/leech** and a point on the **spinnaker** centreline, both of those points at specified distances from the **head point**.

Reason: to introduce an optional alternative way of controlling size of spinnakers still used by certain classes.

#### **Option 1**

##### **H.5.5 SPINNAKER HALF GIRTH MEASUREMENT**

The spinnaker shall be folded along its centreline with the **luff** on top of the **leech**.

#### **Option 2**

**H.5.1 (h)** For **spinnaker half girth** measurement, the **spinnaker** shall be folded along its centreline with the **luff** on top of the **leech**.

#### **Current Position**

As above

#### **Reasons**

1. The spinnaker girth measurement method existed in the pre-ERS sail measurement instructions and certain classes are still using it. Adding as an alternative method into the ERS makes its adoption by those classes easier, removing the need to calculate new size limits for the standard ERS method of widths.
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