

TR Call E8

Tacking at Mark 1

A submission from the Chair of the Racing Rules Committee

Purpose or Objective

To include Team Racing Rapid Response Call 2002.001 Tacking at Mark1 in the Call Book

Proposal

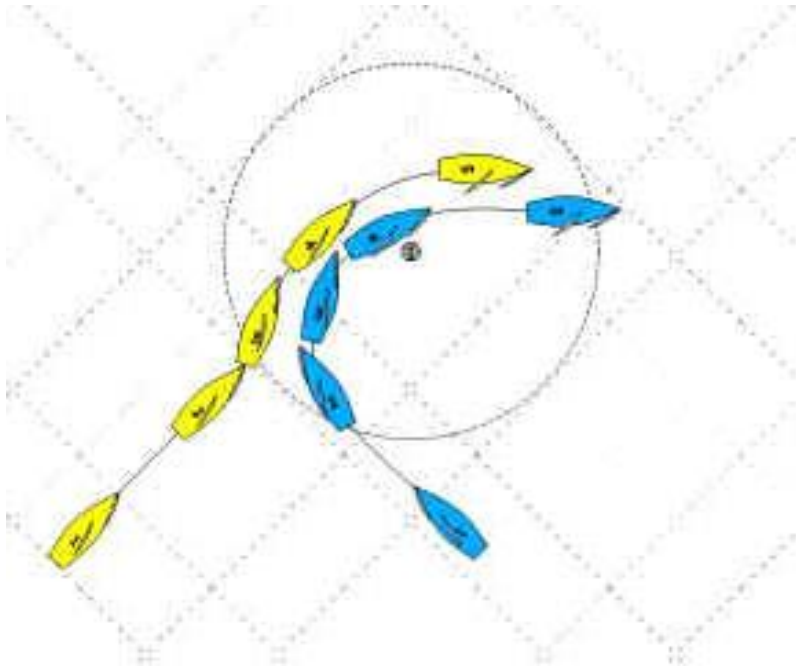
Insert into the Team Racing Call Book a new Call E8 as follows:

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Rule 13	While Tacking
Rule 18.2	Giving mark-room
Rule 43.1	Exoneration

Question

Y on port tack and B on starboard tack are approaching a windward mark to be left to starboard. B tacks to leeward of Y and before B reaches a close-hauled course on port tack Y has to change course to avoid her. Both boats bear away and round the mark. Y protests. What should the call be?



Answer

No penalty.

When B passes head to wind, she becomes overlapped to leeward of Y on the same tack. Rule 18.2(d) applies and Y is required to give B mark-room, which she does by luffing. B is entitled to room to sail to the mark because her proper course is to sail close to it and then room to round it on the required side. B breaks rule 13 at position 3 because she is still above close-hauled and Y must luff to avoid her. However, B is exonerated under rule 43.1(b) because she is sailing within the mark-room to which she is entitled.

Current Position

This is a new call, derived from Rapid Response Call 2021.001.

Reason

The substance of this proposed call is a current rapid response call. The rapid response call has worked well and should be a permanent call.