

Class Rule Changes

International 49erFX Class Association

Effective date: 05/05(May)/2023



Amendment One

B.1 CLASS RULES

OLD

B.1.1 The boat shall comply with the **class rules**

Amend to read:

B.1.1 The boat shall be in compliance with the **class rules**.

Amendment Two

B.3 EVENT INSPECTION

Amend to delete:

~~B.3.1~~

~~The role of **Equipment Inspectors** at an event is to verify that equipment has been produced by a Licenced Manufacturer and has not been subsequently altered (other than as is permitted within these rules) using whatever inspection methods they deem appropriate, including comparison with a reference sample of the type of equipment presented for inspection. Should this comparison reveal deviation greater than what the Equipment Inspector considers being within manufacturing tolerances, the matter shall be reported to the race committee.~~

~~Such occurrences shall be reported to WS and the ICA Technical Committee as soon as practical for investigation and a ruling on the eligibility of the equipment for racing.~~

Amendment Three

B.4 EVENT LIMITATION MARKS

Amend to delete:

~~B.4.1~~

~~Where an event uses event limitation marks these marks shall not be removed during the event. If the event limitation mark is damaged or lost this shall be reported to the event race committee as soon as possible.~~

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Amendment Four

C.4 PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

C.4.1 MANDATORY

OLD

- (a) The boat shall be equipped with **personal flotation devices** (PFD) for each **crew** member to the minimum standard ISO 12402-5, (level 50), or USCG Type III, or AUS PDF II or equivalent.
- (b) The use of inflatable personal flotation devices is not permitted.

Amend to read:

- (a) The boat shall be equipped with a **personal flotation device** (PFD) for each **crew** member to the minimum standard ISO 12402-5, or USCG Type III, or AS 4758 Level 50 or equivalent.
- (b) Inflatable vests are not permitted.

Amendment Five

C.7 HULL

C.7.2 LIMITATIONS

OLD

- (a) Only one **hull** shall be used in an event, except when lost or damaged beyond repair. Any replacement shall only be made with the approval of the Race Committee.

Amend to read:

- (a) Only one **hull** shall be used in an event, except when lost or damaged beyond repair. Any replacement shall only be made with the approval of the Technical Committee.

Amendment Six

C.8 HULL APPENDAGES

C.8.2 LIMITATIONS

OLD

- (a) Only one **daggerboard** and one **rudder** blade shall be used during an event except when an item has been lost or damaged beyond repair. Any replacement shall only be made with the approval of the Race Committee.
- (b) In the Olympic Sailing Competition, World Championships, Continental Championships, Sailing World Cup and other WS grade 1 events the **daggerboard** and **rudder** blade identifiable by the embossed 49er logo shall be used.

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Amend to read:

- (a) Only one **daggerboard** and one **rudder** blade shall be used during an event except when an item has been lost or damaged beyond **repair**. Any replacement shall only be made with the approval of the Technical Committee.
- (b) Only the **Daggerboard** and **Rudder** blade identifiable by the embossed *49er* logo shall be used.

Amendment Seven

C.9 RIG

C.9.2 LIMITATION

OLD

- (a) Only one set of **spars** and **standing** rigging shall be used except when an item has been lost or damaged beyond repair. Any replacement shall only be made with the approval of the Race Committee.
- (b) For the Olympic Sailing Competition and the Asian Games Sailing Competition only the CST **mast** and the **bowsprit** identified by the white safety banding at each end and forward end cap fitting shall be used.
- (c) In World Championships, Continental Championships, Olympic Games qualifying and WS World Cup Series events, either the Southern Spars or CST **mast** and the **bowsprit** identified by the white safety banding at each end and forward end cap fitting shall be used.
- (d) Spreaders modified as permitted by C.9.1(i) shall not be eligible for use at the Olympic Sailing Competition

Amend to read:

- (a) Only one set of **spars** and **standing rigging** shall be used except when an item has been lost or damaged beyond **repair**. Any replacement shall only be made with the approval of the Technical Committee.
- (b) Only **bowsprit** identified by the white safety banding at each end and forward end cap fitting shall be used.
- (c) The following equipment limitations shall apply at the events and fleets listed in this rule:
 1. Only **spreaders** manufactured after March 2022, identified by local thickening at the inboard end, shall be used.
 2. Only CST **masts** shall be used.

At the following events:

- Olympic Games
- Asian Games

To qualify at the following Fleets:

- Gold Fleets World Championships (excluding Junior World Championships)
- Gold Fleets European Championships
- From 2024 onwards Gold Fleets Princesa Sofia Trophy, Semaine Olympique Francaise (Hyerres Open), Kieler Woche
- "2024 Last Chance Regatta" medal race

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Amendment Eight

C.10 SAILS

C.10.2 LIMITATION

Old

- (a) Not more than 1 mainsail, 1 jib and 1 gennaker shall be used during an event except when a sail has been lost or damaged beyond repair. Any replacement shall only be made with the approval of the Race Committee.
- (b) Only the North 3Di **mainsail** with serial number 395709 or greater, the North 3Di jib **sail** with serial number 395710 or greater, and the MacDiarmid gennaker **sail** with ICA label serial number 491816 or greater, shall be used at the Olympic Games, Asian Games, and the Gold fleet of the following events: World Championship (excluding Junior World Championship), European Championships and Continental Championships held on the same continent and within 6 weeks from the first racing day of the World Championship.

Amend to read

- (a) Not more than 1 **mainsail**, 1 jib and 1 gennaker shall be used during an event except when a **sail** has been lost or damaged beyond **repair**. Any replacement shall only be made with the approval of the Technical Committee.
- (b) The following equipment limitations shall apply at the events and fleets listed in this rule:
 - 1. Only the North 3Di **mainsail** shall be used.
 - 2. Only the North jib **sail** shall be used. Any jib **sail** modified by North Sails and registered with the International Class Association and/or North Sails may be used.
 - 3. Only the North gennaker **sail** shall be used.
 - 4. **Sails** with serial numbers listed in Appendix A shall not be used.

At the following events:

- Olympic Games
- Asian Games

To qualify at the following Fleets:

- Gold Fleet World Championships (excluding Junior World Championships)
- Gold Fleet European Championships
- From 2024 onwards Gold Fleet Princesa Sofia Trophy, Semaine Olympic Francaise (Hyerès Open), Kieler Woche
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Amendment Nine

Appendix A – Equipment Limitation: Sails – see class rules C.10.2

Amend to add

49er FX Jib Sail	394374-02 394343-01,02,03,04,05,06,08,09,10 394344-01,02,03,04,05,06,07,08,09,10 394345-01,02,04,05 394372-01,02,03,04,05 394373-01,02,04 394374-01,03,4,05 395677-01,02,03,06,07,10 395714-01,03,04,05 400848-01,02,03,04,05,06,07,08,09,10 431103-04,05 431104-04,05,06,07 431105-01,02,03,04,05,08
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