



2010 NCEA Rules Ballot

Voting Completed



1. "The bowsprit may be extended on any leg of the course where the asymmetrical spinnaker can be carried solely for that purpose. When rounding the weather mark with the spinnaker not deployed, the bowsprit may not be extended until after the bow of the yacht is abreast of the mark on the rounding tack. The bowsprit must be retracted as part of a continuous process of retrieving the spinnaker. The bowsprit may be extended momentarily, when well clear of other yachts, to assist in clearing a fouled tack line."

99% Approved

2. Set a mid-girth measurement - currently there is no mid-girth measurement specified for the asymmetrical spinnaker. The North asymmetrical spinnakers have a mid-girth measurement of 17'4". Also, reduce the luff length of the asymmetrical spinnaker by 2 inches but grandfather all sails made for the 2009 and previous years. The reduction in size will help improve visibility and handling. Existing North sails fit in the recommended measurements. Change the rules to set the mid-girth measurement of 17'4" plus or minus 3" and to make the luff length 35'1" plus 0" minus 6" for all new construction.

97% Approved

3. If ballot item #2 passes that significantly narrows down the dimensions of the asymmetrical spinnaker so there is essentially only one size allowed, then allow two asymmetrical spinnakers to be registered for use at an event. This ballot item can only pass if ballot item #2 passes.

89% Approved

4. Clarify the current understanding about the use of windows in the asymmetrical spinnaker to allow windows of unlimited size and placement, using a minimum .7 oz. material weight.

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