



PAPER TIGER CATAMARAN INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION

World-wide governing body for the Paper Tiger Catamaran Class

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Rule Change Proposals 2009

Results of Voting

To Paper Tiger sailors and association members:

The period for voting on the eleven rule change proposals closed on 17th September 2009. A total of 85 voting papers were returned from four associations. The distribution of those returns and the total eligible memberships for the associations is shown in the table below:

Association	Voting Papers Returned	Total Membership	% Members Voting
New Zealand PTOA	41	110	37%
New South Wales PTCA	13	24	54%
South Australian PTCA	21	29	72%
Victorian PTCA	10	49	20%
Total	85	212	40%

The voting result for each of the proposed rule changes is shown below. The Paper Tiger Class Rules require a two thirds majority for the change to be adopted. As such, any proposal receiving an approval of 66.66% or greater is deemed to be successful.

PROPOSAL	002	003	004	005	006	007	009	010	011	012	013
Yes	80	72	53	55	68	52	63	69	69	85	59
No	4	13	32	30	16	33	22	16	14	0	26
Result	94.1%	84.7%	62.4%	64.7%	80.0%	61.2%	74.1%	81.2%	81.2%	100.0%	69.4%

Note: Where the total of Yes and No votes doesn't tally 85 votes, selections were left blank on the voting form.

The following proposals have received the required votes and are therefore deemed successful:

- 002 – Sails: Top Triangle
- 003 – Vang Spanners
- 006 – Prohibited Items: Rudders
- 009 – Rigging: Turnbuckles
- 010 – Rudders: Pintles
- 011 – Weight: 50.0kg
- 012 – General: Measurers
- 013 – Drinking Containers

The following proposals did not receive the required votes and are therefore deemed unsuccessful:

- 004 – Sails: Loose Foot
- 005 – Boom Block Hangers
- 007 – Weight: Fixing Correctors

During the voting process, a point of issue was raised in regard to proposal 013 (Drinking Containers) highlighting that it may not be legal for us to change the relevant ISAF Racing Rule of Sailing for our class, based on the ISAF directions as to which rules can and can't be changed. As our voting has indicated a desire within the class for these drinking containers to be legal, I will follow this up with ISAF and determine if indeed it is legitimate for us to make this a class rule. If it isn't, I will lobby ISAF on behalf of the class for this to be changed.

Therefore the Paper Tiger Class Rules have been updated to reflect the approved changes with the exception of Proposal 013 (Drinking Containers). These updated rules are being issued to the associations along with this overview. They will also be available on the Paper Tiger Catamaran website at www.papertigercatamaran.org. These updated rules become effective on 1st October 2009.

This entire process has been approved and overseen by the committee of the Paper Tiger Catamaran International Association.

I would like to thank all those who have been part of the process, including those who submitted proposals, provided constructive feedback and suggestions, as well as all the members who voted. From my perspective it was a high level of participation. I would also like to thank the PTCIA committee for their efforts, their attention to detail and for their quick responses, which enabled us to complete this entire process within the very tight timeframe that was set.

Should you have any questions at all about any of this, please feel free to contact me.

Regards,

David Stumbles
Secretary, PTCIA
30th September 2009