

DISCRETIONARY PENALTIES GUIDELINES

BASE PENALTY BANDS FOR DICRETIONARY PENALTIES (Generally the base penalty will be the mid point of the band)

SPECIFIC BREACHES	
- If the specific breach is not listed or a range of bands is suggested, go to second table) .
- Be sure that the DP is authorised for the specific breach.	
Safety	
Failing to notify the Race Office when staying ashore	1
 Failing to comply with requirements for reporting retirement (failing to notify, not filling the form, filling the form later than the protest time limit) 	1
When non-compliance results in initiation of search and rescue	4
Berthing – Boat not in assigned place but has notified the OA	1
Berthing – Boat failing to promptly notify the OA	2
Failing to avoid commercial traffic.	1-4
Removal of pfd for more extended period while not racing	1-2
Code of Conduct	
Failing to comply with a reasonable request by an official	2-4
Failing to take proper care of, or interfering with the function of supplied equipment	1-4
Leaving the Shore	<u>. </u>
Failing to comply with an instruction to remain ashore (e.g. AP over H, D flag)	1-4
The Start	
Failing to avoid the starting area not interfering with a racing boat	1
Failing to avoid the starting area affecting a racing boat	4
Equipment Inspection	
Failing to comply with instructions – valid reason	1
Failing to comply with instructions – no valid reason	3
Replacement of Crew or Equipment	
Failing to comply with instructions – valid reason	1
Failing to comply with instructions – no valid reason	3
Replacing crew or equipment with non-compliant crew or equipment	4
Identification and Advertising	
Failing to apply event stickers as required (e.g. advertising, bow numbers, sail dots etc.)	c.). 2-4
 Applied event stickers, but they failed to stay in place (0% if applied by OA) 	1
Failing to wear bib as required	1-2
National Flag not applied	1
National Flag applied but fails to stay in place	1
Radio Communication	
Making or receiving radio or text or cell phone message not available to all boats	3
Trash Disposal	
Deliberate trash disposal	4



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Positioning Equipment	
Failing to collect or return equipment as required or sign out/sign in	1
Failing to install or comply with installation instructions	3
If equipment was installed but its function is interfered with	4
Class Rules	
Sail numbers and country codes	1
Sail stops missing or out of place	2
Sail set outside bands	3
Modification of manufacturer supplied and controlled equipment	3
Prohibited fairing or refinishing of hull/foil surfaces	4
Use of equipment not registered (but certified)	3
Safety equipment missing or inadequate	1-4
Use of prohibited GPS or other electronics	4
Use of uncertified equipment	4
Missing or misplaced correctors	4
Equipment outside measurement tolerances (excluding wear and tear)	
No possible effect on boat speed	1
 Possible but not significant effect on performance 	2
 Any significant effect on performance 	4

GENERAL QUESTIONS	BAND
To be used when there is no specific breach in the table above, or when the table above	
suggests more than one band.	
Could the breach compromise safety?	
No .	1
Possibly but not certainly	2-3
Yes	4
Could the boat gain a competitive advantage?	
No – not possible	1
Possible, but unlikely to affect positions	2-3
Almost certainly would affect finishing position	4
Could the breach bring the sport into disrepute?	
(Note: if a protest committee considers that the sport may have been brought into disrepute, it s consider action under RRS 69, especially if no other rule is available.)	should
No	1
Possibly but not certainly	2-3
Yes	4
Could the breach result in damage or injury?	<u> </u>
No	1
Possibly but not certainly	2-3
Yes	4