



International 505 Class Yacht Racing Association

Notice of Members' Ballot

At the 2007 AGM in Adelaide, the members present proposed and debated the following proposal. After extensive discussion by the IRC and IEC, and taking cognisance of the timing of the Adelaide AGM relative to the Hayling Island and Palermo AGMs, we have consented that considering all these exceptional circumstances it is in the best interest of the class to put this proposal to a ballot of the membership. As these proposals involve changes to the Measurement Rules (Class Rules B) only boat owning members are permitted to vote. Where two or more members share ownership of a boat, **only one vote per boat may be cast.**

Proposal 1

Amend B 7.1.3 as follows:

7.1.3 Except for fittings, ~~spars~~ **the mast spar** shall be constructed solely either from aluminium alloy containing not less than 90% by weight of aluminium or from wood. Construction is otherwise unrestricted.

Explanatory Note for Proposal 1:

This rule change is introduced to permit the use of carbon booms and spinnaker poles. Although there may not be any discernible speed advantage, carbon is becoming cheaper and easier to repair, and on some older or heavier boats may allow slight weight savings. In some countries it may already be a viable alternative to imported alloy spars.

VOTING PROCEDURE

All members who are either boat owners or part boat owners are entitled to vote. Only one vote per boat is permitted, (Class Rules A 4.14 and 4.2.2.)

National Secretaries should send copies of this Notice (or a translation of it) to all boat owning members of their National Association no later than 30 November 2007.

The closing date for the ballot is 31 January 2008.

Please Complete Attached Ballot form and return to either your National Secretary or the International Secretary - but not both.

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505 Ballot Return

First Name:

Surname / Family Name:

Address 1

Address 2

Address 3

Post /Zip Code

Country

Telephone No:

E mail:

I confirm that I am a current member of the _____¹ 505 Class Yacht Racing Association. I am an owner or part owner of 505 no _____²

Please place **x** in the row indicating your choice for the proposal

Proposal	Carbon booms and poles
For	
Against	

Signature:

Date:

*This ballot form must be returned to your National Secretary, or can be posted or faxed directly to the International Secretary at PO Box 509, Modderfontein, 1645, Republic of South Africa, - Fax: +27 11 606 3075, **before 31 January 2008.***

Note: This ballot form can be returned to the International Secretary as an e-mail attachment in pdf, but returns in other formats by e-mail cannot be accepted.

¹ Insert National Association

² Insert boat number