



COMPETITION DIRECTIVE

2022 – 01

This 2021 Competition Directive is recommended by the Rules and Competition Committee following discussions on February 28, 2022

Technical Rule C6 and Racing Rule A5(b) each refer to a Boat "getting under way". The Rules and Competition Committee recommends that the term "getting under way" be redefined - beginning with the 2022 Racing Season. Counsel to H1 is directed to incorporate the following definition into the Technical Manual & Racing Rules at the earliest opportunity but no later than the update for the 2023 Rules and Regulations.

The term "**getting under way**" means the data measurement period (as recorded by a Boat's Data Box) *beginning* when that Boat is accelerating (after leaving the Pit Dock) and its speed first reaches 8 mph, and *ending* either: (a) 30 seconds later, or (b) when that Boat's speed reaches 80 mph, whichever occurs first; and each similar measurement period thereafter (such as during an engine restart); during any Heat (including any warm-up period) or Time Trial (each, if and as applicable under the Rules).

The last 2 sentences of Technical Rule C6 shall have no further effect and shall be deleted.

This change shall not affect other independent uses of the terms "underway" or "under way" in any of the Rules and Regulations.

Under Rule A5(b): Race Officials may and should disregard any (80 mph) Violation relating to getting "under way" - provided that it does not result (in the sole determination of the Race Officials) in a starting advantage to the offending Boat.

Under Rule A5(a): shutting off an engine - if (in the sole determination of the Referee) it was done in an attempt to gain a preferred lane or evade Minimum Speed rules – remains a Flagrant Speed Violation.

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