



EUROSAF European Match Race championship

Question for Officials

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Question For: Protest Committee

Question:

How will the umpires decide if a boat is subject to RRS 19.2(c) when the overlap begins while passing a boundary line?

Answer:

The course limits set in SI 10.3 are boundary lines. A boundary line is a continuing obstruction. If before the inside overlap begins, one of the boats was coming from astern and was required to keep clear, then RRS 19.2(c) may apply.

If at the moment the overlap begins, the outside boat position was frozen and then the boat that came from astern could pass safely between the outside boat and the obstruction (corridor), then there was room to pass between the outside boat and the obstruction.

In addition, evidence that there was not room to pass between the outside boat and the obstruction could be:

- the boat that came from astern crosses the boundary line in order to establish the overlap to pass the continuing obstruction
- the outside boat needs to change course for the inside boat to pass between her and the obstruction