SB20 World Championship 2025

Question for Officials

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Question No: 02

Question For: Protest Committee

Question:

1: I would like to clarify if the Safety document holds hierarchy over the STR in the NOR.

The safety document suggests that in the harbour any sailing boat may be towed by any boat to/from harbour entrance to facilitate safe transit.

The NOR states in STR 4.4 that a boat shall receive no outside assistance from support person or support person boats once she has left the dock for the day.

Q: Am I allowed to tow to facilitate safe transit to/from harbour entrance the teams I am supporting??

2: STR 4.4 states that the outside assistance element is active until the finish of the last race of the day.

I have two questions:

A/ is this the last boat finishing or is it the individual boats finish that is defining this moment?

B/ if outside assistance is now permitted, does that mean I can tow the teams I am supporting once this finishing moment has been reached back to the harbour, whilst still fulfilling my commitments to stay out of the area where boats are racing?

Many thanks
Paul Brotherton
Support boat driver for Koda, Wind Warriors and Kidzink

Answer:

Answer of questions:

1- According to NoR Addendum B STR 4.4 Support boats are not allowed to tow the boats once she has left the dock for the day until the finish of the last race of the day, except in emergency.

In the case of emergency the RC will display a T flag to allow towing.

2-A and B. According to Addendum B STR 4.4 and 5.1 you can tow your team once all boats finished.

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