

## **NEW HC 18 Rule 3.2**

### **ORIGINAL PROPOSAL**

Mast spreader arms may have two additional holes added to each spreader arm to allow additional adjustment of the spreader arms.

### **REVISED PROPOSAL**

*Mast spreader arms may have additional holes added to each spreader arm to allow additional adjustment up to a maximum of 60 mm of spreader rake.*

### **REASON**

The current spreader arms and spreader attachment band vary in dimensions and manufacturing tolerance which do not allow teams to achieve the same spreader rake between all boats. This can disadvantage some teams. Some current mast set ups only allow for negative or zero spreader rake whereas other mast set ups can achieve up to 40mm of spreader rake. Teams should be allowed to adjust their spreader rake depending on combined crew weights. This will lead to closer racing and a more controllable and safer boat for the lighter crews, in particular the youth and all female teams.

## **HC 18 Rule 5.7**

### **OLD**

Additional jib cleats may be installed to the owner's and skipper's specifications provided their mounting does not structurally weaken the boat or interfere with other HOBIE CAT CO. components.

### **ORIGINAL PROPOSAL**

~~Additional~~ Jib cleats may be installed to the owner's and skipper's specifications provided their mounting does not structurally weaken the boat or interfere with other HOBIE CAT CO. components.

### **REVISED PROPOSAL**

*The jib cleat block on each side of the boat may be moved from its original position. If moved, the jib cleat block shall only be mounted to a fixed position to the owner's and skipper's specification provided wires/wire systems are not used and the mounting does not structurally weaken the boat or interfere with other HOBIE CAT CO. components. A boat shall have no more than two jib cleat blocks.*

### **REASON**

To allow the jib cleat block to be mounted on the trampoline.



There are no wires or other mechanical devices attached to hold the jib block to the trampoline. It is simply attached to the rope loop and the eyelets are through sufficient reinforcing on the trampoline to cater for the jib sheet load. The cost to update an existing trampoline is \$200. No need to buy a new trampoline.