



FREE SAILING CLASS RULES SUPPLEMENT

ERS definitions apply and except where used in headings, defined terms are shown in “**bold**”.

Class Rule changes for Free Sailing

The 1994 IYRU - MYRD International ‘A’, the 2016 IRSA International Marblehead and MYA Radio Racing **class rules** are changed for Free Sailing as follows:

- 1 Crew**

The crew may consist of more than one person.
- 2 Steering & ballast**
 - 2.1 Self-steering devices are permitted.
 - 2.2 The use of radio control, or any device not activated by the force of the wind, including timing devices for the operation of a tacking guy, is prohibited.
 - 2.3 With the exception that the steering gear may be exchanged for items of similar dimensions and weight placed in the same position, no **ballast** shall be shipped, unshipped or moved during an event.
 - 2.4 Counterweights of steering gears and jib booms may be adjustable.
- 3 Spinnakers**
 - 3.1 Sail plans may include a spinnaker, which shall be of **soft sail** construction.
 - 3.2 **Headsails** and spinnakers need not carry sail numbers.
 - 3.3 A **headsail** may be set as a spinnaker.
 - 3.4 Only one **spinnaker** may be set at any one time.
 - 3.5 Spinnakers, **spinnaker poles** and associated gear need not be carried at all times.
 - 3.6 Any contrivance for extending a spinnaker to other than a triangular shape such as an outrigger or footyard, battens or an auxiliary sheet is prohibited.
 - 3.7 Spinnakers shall be of a **single ply sail** construction except where corner reinforcements, seams and **tablings** are used.
 - 3.8 A spinnaker shall be set on a single **spinnaker pole** only.
 - 3.9 A spinnaker shall not be sheeted to the main **boom**.
- 4 MARBLEHEAD**
 - 4.1 2016 IRSA **Marblehead class rules** C.7.1(c) minimum **mainsail luff** length and G.2.2 (b) & (c) marking rig/sail group areas on all **sails** do not apply.
 - 4.2 Vane Steering Gear**
 - 4.2.1 The axis of the main spindle of the vane gear shall be inboard, but any other part of the gear may overproject the **hull**.
 - 4.3 Spinnakers**
 - 4.3.1 The maximum dimension of the **top width** shall not exceed 20mm.
 - 4.3.2 The spinnaker hoist shall not exceed 1728mm, measured from the deck **limit mark** to the attachment point of the spinnaker to the mast.
 - 4.3.3 The length of the **spinnaker pole** shall not exceed 381mm.measured from the mast centreline to the attachment point of the spinnaker to the pole.
 - 4.3.4 The spinnaker, its **rigging** and **spinnaker pole** may extend beyond the **hull length** limits.

5 'A' CLASS

- 5.1 The 1994 **"A" class rule**, along with the ICAR 2002 and all the IRSA interpretations 2002-2015, is recognised by the MYA as the National 'A' class rule for free sailing.
- 5.2 **Class rule** 6.5.1 (the spinnaker cross width minimum) does not apply.

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