

**Offshore Special Regulations 4.26.4 f) – Heavy-Weather Jib**

**Heavy weather sail options for Category 4**

A submission from the Working Party Reviewing OSR Categories 4 and 5

Purpose or Objective

To offer boats racing in OSR Category 4 races the option of either carrying a heavy-weather jib or having the ability to reef the mainsail.

Proposal

Amend OSR 4.26.4 f):

4.26.4 f)	<b>either</b> a heavy-weather jib (or heavy weather sail in a yacht with no forestay) of area not greater than 13.5% height of the foretriangle squared, <b><u>or mainsail reefing to reduce the luff by at least 40%;</u></b>	**
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Current Position

4.26.4 f)	a heavy-weather jib (or heavy weather sail in a yacht with no forestay) of area not greater than 13.5% height of the foretriangle squared;	**
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Reason

1. A majority of the WP are content with OSR 4.26.4 f) as it stands.
2. A minority view is that boats should be offered the option of alternatively having the ability to reef the mainsail.
3. The WP offers the above if the Special Regulations Sub-committee agrees with the minority view.

See Working Party Report Item 6(d).

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