

INTERNATIONAL RS TERA CLASS ASSOCIATION - NOTIFICATION REGARDING THE INTERPRETATION OF CLASS RULES

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The International RS Tera Class Association (IRSTCA) has been requested to issue a clarification on class rules relating to additions and alterations to the rig of the RS Tera.

According to the International Class rule A.8.1, the International RS Tera Class Association, in collaboration with RS Sailing, can issue official interpretations of the International Class rules.

Rule C.8.2 - Requested clarification: Is it permissible to replace the tiller extension with one of any type, make and of any length?

International RS Tera Class Association interpretation: According to class rule C.8.2 the tiller extension may be replaced, providing that the replacement performs the same function and is of the same material as the equipment supplied by the OEM. It is the opinion of the International RS Tera Class Association that, as long as the replacement tiller extension is of the same material and has the same function as the OEM supplied equipment, the supplier / manufacturer of the replacement tiller extension can vary, as can the length, provided that the length of the tiller extension does not exceed 1.2m.

Rule C.9.2(e) - Requested clarification: Is it permissible to add a fourth block or non-friction ring o the outhaul system on the boom of the RS Tera, to bring the control line closer to the helm for easier handling of the control line?

International RS Tera Class Association interpretation: According to class rule C.9.2(e), up to three blocks are allowed within the outhaul system, but the total purchase of the system must not exceed 4:1. Therefore, adding a fourth block or non-friction ring within the outhaul system itself is not permitted. However, if a fourth block or non-friction ring is installed after the purchase system, with its sole purpose being to provide the helm with easier access to the control line, with this block offering no additional mechanical advantage to the outhaul system, the opinion of the International RS Tera Class Association is that the addition of this fourth block or non-friction ring does not violate the class rules.

Rule C.9.2(f) - Requested clarification: Is it permissible to add a third block or low-friction ring after the Clamcleat on the bottom section of the RS Tera mast to facilitate easier handling of the downhaul control line by the helm?

International RS Tera Class Association interpretation: According to class rule C.9.2(f), up to two additional blocks are allowed to increase the downhaul purchase, but the total purchase must not exceed 6:1. Therefore, a third block or low friction ring cannot be added within the downhaul system itself. However, if the block is installed after the purchase system and only serves to provide the helm with easier access to the Downhaul control line without providing any additional mechanical advantage to the system, the opinion of the International RS Tera Class Association is that the addition of this third block or low-friction ring does not violate the class rules.