

**Changes to FISA Bye-laws (at March 2011)**

Page	Bye-law No.	Current Wording	Proposed Wording
69	Bye-Law to Rule 33	<p><b>Bye-Law to Rule 33</b></p> <p><i>5. No Wireless Communication</i>  <i>5.1 Communication - During racing, no processed data or communications may be electronically received in the boat and no data or communication of any sort may be sent electronically from the boat. Raw data, such as from speed sensors, gps location, heart and stroke rate, etc., may be collected, received, processed and/or stored in the boat during racing. However, FISA may install on each boat device(s) for the purpose of transmitting real-time race information which shall be owned by FISA and may be used for any purpose including presentation and promotion of the event and the sport.</i></p>	<p><b>Bye-Law to Rule 33</b></p> <p><i>5. No Wireless Communication</i>  <i>5.1 Communication - During racing, no processed data or communications may be electronically received in the boat and no data or communication of any sort may be sent electronically from the boat. Raw data, such as from speed sensors, GPS location, heart and stroke rate, etc., may be collected, received, processed and/or stored in the boat during racing. <u>Failure to comply with this bye-law may result in the exclusion of the crew.</u> However, FISA may install on each boat device(s) for the purpose of transmitting real-time race information which shall be owned by FISA and may be used for any purpose including presentation and promotion of the event and the sport.</i></p>
	<b>NEW Bye-Law to Rule 55 - Injections</b>	<b>NEW</b>	<p><b>Bye-Law to Rule 55 – Injections</b></p> <p><i><u>During International Regattas (from 24 hours before the start of the first race of the Regatta through to 24 hours after the end of the last race at such Regatta), any injection to any site of an athlete’s body of any substance:</u></i></p> <p><i>1. <u>must be medically justified. Justification includes physical examination by a certified medical doctor (M.D.), diagnosis, medication, route of administration and</u></i></p>

			<p><u>appropriate documentation:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. <u>Must respect the approved indication of the medication = no off-label;</u></li> <li>3. <u>must be administered by a certified medical professional unless authorized by the FISA Doctor or the Regatta Doctor, and;</u></li> <li>4. <u>must be reported immediately and in writing not later than 24 hours afterwards to the FISA Doctor or the Regatta Doctor (except athletes with a valid TUE for this competition). The report must include the diagnosis, medication and route of administration.</u></li> </ol> <p><u>The disposal of used needles, syringes and other biomedical material which may affect the security and safety of others, including blood sampling (e.g. lactates...) and other diagnostic equipment shall conform to recognised safety standards.</u></p> <p><u>Any violation of one of these principles may constitute a violation of the FISA Rules and may lead to penalties including exclusion of the crew concerned or, where appropriate, disqualification of the whole team from the regatta. The Executive Committee is the judicial body which shall determine the process to be followed.</u></p> <p><u>The costs of any investigations related to this rule may be charged to the member federation concerned.</u></p>
	<b>Bye-Law to Rule 71</b>	<b>Rule 71 – Damage while in the Start</b>	<b>Rule 71 – Damage while in the Start Zone</b>

	<p><b>– Start Zone at World Rowing Cup regattas</b></p>	<p><b>Zone</b></p> <p>If a crew, while still in the start zone, sustains damage to its boat or equipment then a member of the crew shall raise his arm to indicate that there is a problem. The Starter or the Umpire shall stop the race. The Umpire shall then decide on the steps to be taken, after consulting (if necessary) with the President of the Jury.</p> <p>For the purpose of this rule, a crew is still in the start zone if the bow of its boat has not yet crossed the 100 metres line.</p>	<p>If a crew, while still in the start zone, sustains damage to its boat or equipment then a member of the crew shall raise his arm to indicate that there is a problem. The Starter or the Umpire shall stop the race. The Umpire shall then decide on the steps to be taken, after consulting (if necessary) with the President of the Jury.</p> <p>For the purpose of this rule, a crew is still in the start zone if the bow of its boat has not yet crossed the 100 metres line.</p> <p><b><u>Bye-Law to Rule 71 – Damage while in the Start Zone at Rowing World Cup regattas</u></b></p> <p><u>This rule shall not apply at Rowing World Cup regattas.</u></p>
	<p>Bye-Law to Rule 77 – Dead Heats at Rowing World Cup regattas</p>		<p><b><i>Bye-Law to Rule 77 – Dead Heats at Rowing World Cup regattas</i></b></p> <p><i>For regattas of the Rowing World Cup, if there is a dead-heat, the following procedure shall operate:</i></p> <p><i>1. In a heat, <del>a repêchage, a quarter-final or a semi-final</del> if a dead-heat occurs between crews and if only one of the crews progresses into the next round, then there must be a re-row over the full course between the crews involved.</i></p> <p><i><del>The</del> A re-row must take place on the same day as the dead-heat</i></p>

			<p><i>and not less than two hours after the race in which the dead-heat occurred.</i></p> <p><i>If all crews involved in the dead-heat progress anyway into the next round, there will be no re-row and their relative positions in the next round shall be <b>decided by drawing lots.</b></i></p> <p><i>However, the Executive Committee may determine that there is a logical way to avoid <u>a re-row that preserves equality of chance, fairness and, in principle, does not require the use of more than six lanes.</u></i></p> <p><i>2. <u>In a repechage, quarter-final or semi-final, if a dead-heat occurs between crews and if only one of these crews progresses into the next round, it shall be the crew which had the highest ranking in the immediate preceding round. The immediate preceding round shall be the last previous round in which both/all of the dead-heat crews competed. If the crews had the same result in that round then the results in the next previous round shall be used for this purpose. If on this basis the results of the crews concerned are identical, then <b>the crew which progresses shall be decided by drawing lots.</b> Where such a dead-heat involves more than two crews and this number exceeds the number of crews advancing to the next round, the above procedure shall be used to determine which of the dead-heat crews shall so advance.</u></i></p>
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	<p><b>NEW Bye-Law to Rule 89 – Yellow and Red Cards</b></p>		<p><b><u>Bye-Law to Rule 89 – Yellow and Red Cards</u></b>  <u>When a Yellow Card or Red Card is awarded to a crew, the penalised crew shall be informed immediately or as soon thereafter as possible. In addition, the penalty shall be confirmed in writing on the same day by delivery to the team’s regatta mail box. This written notification shall state:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <u>the crew to which to penalty is awarded</u></li> <li>b. <u>the penalty;</u></li> <li>c. <u>the nature of the infraction;</u></li> <li>d. <u>time and location of the infraction;</u></li> <li>e. <u>any other important facts, and;</u></li> <li>f. <u>The name and function of the jury member who awarded the penalty</u></li> </ol> <p><u>In the case of a Yellow Card applying to the next race of the penalised crew for which the crew is not yet on the water, the penalty shall be announced verbally to the crew by the jury member at the Control Commission at the outgoing pontoon when the crew concerned boats for their next race. It will also be announced by the Starter as part of the start procedure.</u></p>
135	<p>Appendix 3 - Bye-Laws to Rule 62 – FISA Progression System</p>	<p><b>25 entries and up</b></p>	<p>[At the World Rowing Junior and Under 23 Championships (four day championships), for events with 25 or more entries, a progression</p>

			system with a maximum of four rounds will be used so that the rowers will have a maximum of one race per day over the four days of the event. The system that will be used will be the progression system from 2007-2008 and published shortly.]