

18.2 Giving Mark-Room

(c) When a boat is required to give *mark-room* by rule 18.2(b), she shall continue to do so even if later an *overlap* is broken or a new *overlap* begins. However, ~~if either boat passes head to wind or~~ if the boat entitled to *mark-room* **passes head to wind or** leaves the *zone*, rule 18.2(b) ceases to apply.

C2.12 Rule 18.2(e) is changed to 'If a boat obtained an inside overlap and from the time the overlap began, the outside boat has been unable to give mark-room, she is not required to give it.'

Obstruction An object that a boat could not pass without changing course substantially, if she were sailing directly towards it and one of her hull lengths from it. An object that can be safely passed on only one side and an area so designated by the sailing instructions are also *obstructions*. However, a boat *racing* is not an *obstruction* to other boats unless they are required to *keep clear* of her, ~~give her room or mark-room~~ or, if rule 22 applies, avoid her. A vessel under way, including a boat racing, is never a continuing obstruction.

Party A *party* to a hearing; a protestor; a protestee; a boat requesting redress **or for which redress is requested by the race committee or considered by the protest committee under rule 60.3(b); a race committee acting under rule 60.2(b)**; a boat or competitor that may be penalized under rule 69.1; a race committee or an organizing authority in a hearing under rule 62.1(a).