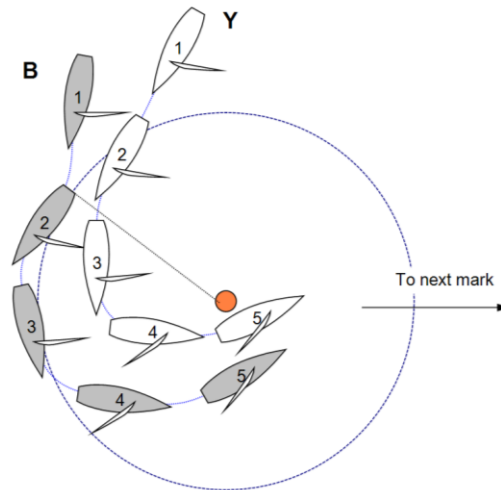


PALMER AND BALDWIN EVENT CALL #1

Rule 11 Rule 18.2 On the Same Tack, Overlapped Giving Mark-Room

Question

B and Y on starboard tack are overlapped as they enter the zone of a leeward mark. Rule 17 does not apply to Y. B luffs sharply and breaks the overlap. Y bears away and gybes to round the mark. B gybes at the same time into an overlap below Y. Rule 17 does not apply to B. As Y is passing the mark, B luffs her above the course to the next mark. Y responds promptly and keeps clear. There is a protest. What should the call be?



Answer

Penalize B.

When Y gybes after position 3 she is entitled to room to sail to the mark and when at the mark, room to leave the mark on the required side and round it as necessary to sail the course. At position 5, Y is still passing the mark and entitled to mark-room. When B luffs Y above the course to the next mark B fails to give Y mark-room and breaks rule 18.2(b).

When Y has completed passing the mark, mark-room has been given and rule 18.2(d) applies. See also Team Race Call H5