



AMERICA'S CUP CLASS

PUBLIC INTERPRETATION No 8

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The America's Cup Class Rule Version 5.0 requires a **Public Interpretation** be issued regarding the fitting of a compartment to house regatta organisation supplied media equipment. This interpretation was to be issued on or before 1 January 2005. **Public Interpretation # 4** was not issued until 14 March 2005 due to circumstances beyond the control of the **Measurement Committee**.

The Interpretation requires the cutting and fitting of a watertight hatch in the cockpit sole of each **ACC Yacht**; to provide a facility to contain certain Television and Telemetry equipment supplied by the Organizing Authority. At present, this equipment has been identified as:

- a. TV Broadcast Control Box(es).
- b. Telemetry Equipment Box for animation
- c. Umpire Signal System control unit.

The **Measurement Committee** has been advised that item (a) above, will not be required until 2006, items (b) and (c) will be used in 2005.

The **Measurement Committee** and **Regatta Director** have also been advised that due to the late issuance of the Interpretation, several Competitors have not been able to construct the "broadcast box".

Therefore, the **Measurement Committee** in consultation with the **Regatta Director** have determined that with regard to Public Interpretation # 4:

1. A Competitor may install the "broadcast box" at any time subject to the limitations below.
2. Each **ACC Yacht** carrying sail number # 83 or higher shall install the "broadcast box" during its construction or modification to Version 5.0 of the **ACC Rule**.
3. **ACC Yachts** with sail numbers # 82 and lower may delay the construction of the "broadcast box" until after the conclusion of racing in the Event in 2005.
4. All **ACC Yachts** shall have the "broadcast box" installed before the start of the first Measurement Control Period for racing in the Event in 2006.
5. The **Measurement Committee** shall require a corrector weight for any **ACC Yacht** to equalize the "broadcast box" weight for yachts without the "broadcast box" installed.

The **Measurement Committee** is advised that it is the intention of the Race Committee that the items noted in (b) and (c) above will be strapped to the inside of leg(s) of the Aerial Frame for regattas in 2005.

*This interpretation is made by the **Measurement Committee** in accordance with Rule 3.3 of Version 5.0 of the America's Cup Class Rule. This interpretation has been prepared in consultation with the **Regatta Director**.*

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