

### **Answer to Scenario 3 – Proper Course #1**

Boat A's protest is disallowed. While on starboard tack, A and B are not overlapped; therefore, the proper course limitation in rule 17, On the Same Tack; Proper Course, does not apply. Rule 12, On the Same Tack, Not Overlapped, requires B (the boat clear astern) to keep clear of A (the boat clear ahead), which she does. In this situation, no other rule limits where B can sail relative to A.

In order to make B gybe, A needs to have rule 17 apply, which she can accomplish by bearing away between positions 1 and 2, thereby causing the boats to become overlapped. She needs to continue to keep clear, however, as the windward boat under rule 11, On the Same Tack, Overlapped.

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