

## **Transpac Race 2023**

### **Questions and Requests for Clarification**

The Transpac Race Organizing Authority and Race Committee received the following requests for clarification of the NOR 1.5 & 10.2, ORR Appendix 7 and RRS and provides these answers from its Technical Committee:

**Question 1:** If a boat not rated for water ballast as defined in ORR Appendix 7 has systems and equipment (electric pumps, generators, plumbing, valves or other means) on board to make it possible to transfer drinking water held in permanent tanks from one side of the boat to the other, would this be considered a breach of the rules?

**Answer to Question 1:** No, this is not a breach of the rules. These rules do not preclude a boat from carrying these systems or equipment.

**Question 2:** If a boat not rated for water ballast as defined in ORR Appendix 7 has drinking water tanks on both sides of the boat, would using all the water in the windward tank prior to a tack or gybe and then using a water maker or other means to fill the water tank on the new windward side after the tack or gybe be considered a breach of the rules?

**Answer to Question 2:** Yes, this is a breach of the rules. The question specifies "...using all the water..." and "...fill the water tank..." in connection to a tack or gybe which breaches RRS 51 and NOR 10.2.

**Question 3:** If a boat starts the race with water stored asymmetrically in tanks as allowed in NOR 10.2, uses some or all that water, and makes potable water during the race, may it store that water asymmetrically to the other side of the boat without breaching RRS 51 provided total potable liquids stay within the limits of NOR 10.2.4?

**Answer to Question 3:** No, the Technical Committee believes that would breach RRS 51. The Technical Committee believes if potable water was stored asymmetrically before racing in tanks as allowed in NOR 10.2.3, potable water made aboard while racing can be stored asymmetrically to the same side, in the same tank(s) to a level not greater than at the start, or in centerline tank(s) without breaching RRS 51. Other sections of NOR 10.2 also apply.