

CHALLENGER OF RECORD & DEFENDER

AMERICA'S CUP 36

AC75 Interpretation 020

of

AC75 Class Rule Version 1.2 issued 10th December 2018

Rule References:

- 8.5 On receiving a request, the **Rules Committee** shall interpret whether the item is a **commercial product** by following the procedure detailed in Rule 32. However, they may delay the start of the procedure by up to one month after receiving the request in order to deal with multiple requests in a single batch.
- 9.1 Except as permitted in Rules 9.5 and 9.6, the outermost layer of the **hull, foils and rudder** must be a **commercial product** approved by the **Rules Committee** according to Rule 8, who shall only approve paints that are comparable to those on the list provided in Rule 8.6.

Background:

A Competitor has requested the following paint be approved for use through the process outlined in rules 9.1, 8.5 and 32. The **commercial product** is a paint commercially known as:

- Awlgrip HDT Clearcoat.
- Awlgrip HDT Single Stage.

Attached to this Request for Interpretation are the Technical Data Sheets for both products

Questions:

1. Is the above paint comparable to those in Rule 8.6?
2. Is the above product a **commercial product**?

Interpretation:

Not applicable.

Answers:

1. Both Awlgrip HDT Clearcoat and Awlgrip HDT Single Stage are comparable to the products listed in Rule 8.6.
2. The Awlgrip HDT Clearcoat is a **commercial product**. The Awlgrip HDT Single Stage is a new product that is not yet broadly available. It can be approved, when it is in general release, as a **commercial product**, then complying with Rule 8.2 (a) and (b).

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