



## Umpire Questions and Answers

### QA011

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based on RRSAC v3.02

Rule 78

Compliance with Class Rules; Certificates

#### Question

In rule 78.6(a), how is the phrase “as soon as a Competitor first knows or could reasonably be expected to know that a *yacht* has raced when non-compliant with the AC75 Class Rule” interpreted, and by whom?

#### Answer

‘Soon’ is defined as ‘...in or after a short time...’ The Jury interprets this to mean no later than sixty (60) minutes after the last race of the day is abandoned or terminated. This may also mean a later time based on the circumstances.

‘A yacht has raced when non-compliant...’ means that the yacht has participated in a race of an Event of AC36. If a Competitor (Defender or a Challenger) knew, or should have known, of a yacht being non-compliant with the AC75 Class Rule in an earlier race of an Event, the requirement in rule 78.6(a)(i) has not been met and the CNC is unfounded.

Rule 78.6(b) instructs the Measurement Committee to decide on the CNC following consultation with the parties mentioned in the rule. Therefore the Measurement Committee is the body deciding if the CNC was lodged in compliance with rule 78.6(a)’.