

# Submission: **EST 4**

Reporting committee: **ITC**

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## **HEADSAIL FLATTENING AND REEF**

### **PROPOSAL**

Review the headsail flattening multipliers.

### **RATIONALE**

It seems that genoa headsails will be abandoned throughout the fleet due to the lack of depowering in the VPP.

For example, the First 36.7 (EST 379), if comparing the use of a 41,8m<sup>2</sup> genoa vs a 33,5m<sup>2</sup> jib, with the genoa sail the boat will be penalized in 20 knots upwind by 9 sec/mile compared to jib. In reality this boat changes from its genoa to the jib in 14-15 knots TWS.

It seems the flattening multiplier is still too high or the reef function should be applied.