

World Championship

Spot checking and scrutineering protocol.

Prior to the start of each day of racing, the jury will pick 6 finishing positions randomly from a hat for that day. This will include 3 from the top 20 finishes, and 3 from the remaining finishes. These positions will only be known by the jury.

Before the start of the first day of racing the Jury will also randomly allocate one of the following 5 measurements for each of the 5 racing days.

1. Mainsails
2. Jibs
3. Spinnakers
4. Rigs, booms and poles.
5. Centreboard related measurements (and any other hull related measurements?)

After the completion of the first race of the day the Race Committee will notify the Jury which boats finished the first race in the preselected positions. One of the Jury boats will come back to the launching area before the first boats arrive after the last race of the day. As the boats are coming back to the launching area the jury boat will locate the selected boats and notify them they have to go to the special area selected for spot checking. Another member of the jury will be on shore ensuring these boats are retained at the measuring area and supervise the boats until the measurement checks preselected by them for that day can be carried out. Sailors can take sails down, shower and change but the jury member will ensure boats are not removed from the area or touched in anyway until the spot checks can be carried out.

The Organising Committee in conjunction with the Chief Measurer must arrange for a competent measurer each day to supervise spot checks. Where a regatta measurer is available who isn't sailing, this person would normally carry out this task each day. Where all measurers are sailing it is recommended that a different measurer is available each day so the same person is not inconvenienced more than on one day.

The selected boats will have the item/s measured that correspond to that day. Masts, booms, poles and foils will also be checked to confirm they have stickers on, black bands on masts and booms and all 3 sails will be checked for the regatta stamp. Safety equipment will also be checked.