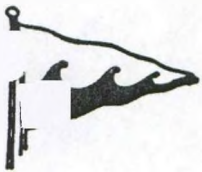


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MEASURER'S REPORT

Classes C-4 and C-5 were regrouped this year to concentrate the "higher performance" yachts in class C-4. Handicap spreads are increased in the two classes, but performance spreads are reduced. This results in two high performance classes, C-3 and C-4, two moderate performance classes, C-2 and C-5, and one mixed class, C-1.

Also, during the winter-spring 1998, the ECSA Offshore Chairman requested guidance from the undersigned to classify ECSA yachts in accordance with the Off Soundings methods, as A/B, C, and HP. The goal was for ECSA to (1) provide guidance to local yacht clubs to set classes for local races and (2), to allow ECSA to set classes for season trophies. Class designators were subsequently ratified with some modifications by the PHRF Committee. Both ECSA and Off Soundings defined "high performance" rather subjectively.

One written and two verbal comments regarding the C-4/C-5 classification were received after the Fall Series. As a result, I am attempting to develop some parameters/trends regarding C-4/C-5 classification to forward to the Classification Chairman, and for discussion by the ECSA PHRF Committee. It appears that parametrics/trends will be consistent with our earlier judgements.

The written comment is directed to and will be forwarded to the ECSA PHRF Committee for action (ie, change from HP to C classification.)

Respectively submitted,

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