

**AMENDMENT 06
OF THE PROTOCOL GOVERNING THE 35TH AMERICA'S CUP**

BETWEEN

1. **The Golden Gate Yacht Club ("GGYC")**
2. **Kungliga Svenska Segel Sällskapet ("KSSS")**
3. **Royal Yacht Squadron Racing Limited ("RYSR")**
4. **Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron Inc. ("RNZYS")**
5. **Yacht Club de France ("YCF")**
6. **Kansai Yacht Club ("KYC")**

BACKGROUND

- A. GGYC and Hamilton Island Yacht Club entered into the Protocol Governing the 35th America's Cup dated June 2, 2014 (the "Protocol").
- B. KSSS, RNZYS, RYSR, YCF and KYC have all submitted Notices of Challenge under Article 16 of the Protocol that have been accepted by GGYC.
- C. As per Protocol Article 1.1(p-bis) and 16.4-bis(b), the Challenger Committee voting process is determined by a simple majority vote with only the following Challengers currently entitled to one (1) vote - KSSS, RYSR and KYC. RNZYS and YCF are not currently eligible to vote.
- D. In accordance with Article 20.1 of the Protocol, GGYC and the Challenger Committee have agreed to amend Articles 1.1(bbb), 19.3(b), 25.1(b), 25.6(f), 26.2, 29.1(b), 32, 35.2, 35.10(c) and 35.15 of the Protocol as set forth below and with effect from the date hereof. Deletions to the Protocol are marked with a strikethrough such as ~~this~~, and additions to the Protocol are marked with an underline such as this.
- E. The provisions of the Protocol shall remain in full force and effect, save as expressly amended below.

AGREED AMENDMENTS TO THE PROTOCOL as follows:

1. ARTICLE 1.1(BBB)

1.1 Article 1.1(bbb) of the Protocol shall be amended as follows:

"1.1(bbb) **Surrogate Yacht** means the "platform" (as used herein, meaning the external shape of the hulls and cross structure) of any catamaran yacht or other multihull yacht that is greater than ~~thirty-three feet (33')~~ thirty-five feet (35') length overall, except that the following shall not be a Surrogate Yacht:

- (i) the "platform" of an AC45 Yacht that complies with the AC45 Class Rule; and
- (ii) a catamaran with the outside surfaces of its hulls the same shape as the outside surfaces of the hulls of an AC45 Yacht below a line that is 650mm below the intersection of the hull centreplane and the top of the hull of an AC45 Yacht, except in way of AC45 Yacht daggerboard and/or rudder casings and/or bearings and modified daggerboard and/or rudder casings and/or bearings;"

2. ARTICLE 19.3(B)

2.1 Article 19.3(b) of the Protocol shall be amended as follows:

“19.3(b) for all racing in the Youth America’s Cup, in which AC45 Yachts are to be sailed, all of crew sailing each AC45 Yacht in each race shall be nationals of the country of the yacht club of the Competitor that the AC45 Yacht represents (or, in the case of the Defender, at its discretion, the country of the Venue of the Match). If ACEA accepts youth teams from other countries (not represented by the Competitors) for the Youth America’s Cup, all of the crew of those teams sailing each AC45 Yacht in each race shall be nationals of the country that their AC45 Yacht represents; and”

3. ARTICLE 25.1(B)

3.1 Article 25.1(b) of the Protocol shall be amended as follows:

“25.1(b) as soon as the details are finalized but in any event by no later than August 1, 2015~~September 30, 2015~~ for any America’s Cup World Series event(s) to be held in the first quarter of 2016, and by no later than December 1, 2015 for any America’s Cup World Series event(s) to be held in the final three quarters of 2016, the format, ~~scoring~~, schedule, Host Cities and Venues (as selected by ACEA in each case) for the America’s Cup World Series events to be held in 2016.”

4. ARTICLE 25.6(F)

4.1 Article 25.6(f) of the Protocol shall be amended as follows:

“25.6(f) During the period beginning thirty (30) days prior to the first race day and ending immediately after the last race of each America’s Cup World Series event, AC45 Yachts that have been or are intended to be raced in the America’s Cup World Series may only be sailed at the Venue of that event by Competitors on the days scheduled for racing and on the practice day immediately preceding the first scheduled racing day~~Friday, Saturday and Sunday of the regatta period during each America’s Cup World Series event~~, except as otherwise announced by the Commercial Commissioner from time to time (provided that any such exception shall apply to all Competitors alike).”

5. ARTICLE 26.2

5.1 Article 26.2 of the Protocol shall be amended as follows:

“26.2 **Teams:** Each Competitor must compete in the Youth America’s Cup event(s) in one (1) AC45 Yacht, representing the country of its challenging yacht club (or, in the case of the Defender, at its discretion, the country of the Venue of the Match), to be sailed by six (6) crew in each case. ACEA may also accept other youth teams from other countries.”

6. **ARTICLE 29.1(B)**

6.1 Article 29.1(b) of the Protocol shall be amended as follows:

“(b) if the winner of the America’s Cup Qualifiers is a Competitor in the Match, it—the Competitor that did not win the America’s Cup Qualifiers shall start the Match with a score of minus one (-1) point;”

7. **ARTICLE 32**

7.1 Article 32 of the Protocol shall be amended as follows:

“32 WIND LIMITS

Unless the Regatta Director considers conditions too rough in any case, all races for all Events shall be started when the approximate average true wind speed is between five (5)–six (6) and twenty-five (25) knots measured as a rolling (box car) average of one hertz samples over 60 seconds using a Gill Windsonic on the race committee signal boat at ~~ten (10)~~ approximately five and a half (5.5) meters above the water.”

8. **ARTICLE 35.2**

8.1 Article 35.2 of the Protocol shall be amended as follows:

“35.2 **AC Class Rule:** GGYC and the Challenger Committee adopted the AC Class Rule on March 31, 2015. Centerboard or sliding keel yachts are permitted provided they meet the requirements of the AC Class Rule. The AC Class Rule cannot be amended or replaced other than as specifically allowed in the AC Class Rule. As an exception to the standard voting requirements for an amendment to the Protocol, this Article 35.2 can only be amended by unanimous vote of the Competitors.”

9. **ARTICLE 35.10(C)**

9.1 Article 35.10(c) of the Protocol shall be amended as follows:

“35.10(c) Any Daggerboard section (either upper or lower) or any one-piece Daggerboard shall be included in the limits of Article 35.10(a)(iii) and/or Article 35.10(a)(iv) when each such Daggerboard section (either upper or lower) or any one-piece Daggerboard is first installed on a yacht allowed in Article 1(bbb)(ii) after August 1, 2015 and such yacht is afloat with it installed. For the avoidance of doubt, if a Daggerboard section (either upper or lower) or any one-piece Daggerboard is installed on a yacht allowed in Article 1.1(bbb)(ii) prior to August 1, 2015 and such yacht is afloat with it installed, such Daggerboard section or one-piece Daggerboard will not be included in the limits of Article 35.10(a)(iii) and/or Article 35.10(a)(iv) even if it is subsequently used after August 1, 2015; however such Daggerboard section or one-piece Daggerboard shall still be subject to the limits of Article 35.10(b). Furthermore, Daggerboards for use in the America’s Cup World Series shall not be included in the limits of Article 35.10(a)(iii) and/or Article 35.10(a)(iv).”

10. ARTICLE 35.15

10.1 Article 35.15 of the Protocol shall be amended as follows:

“35.15 **Constructed in country:** Each Competitor's AC Class Yacht shall satisfy the constructed in country requirements of the Deed of Gift if the exterior surface of the forward section of each Hull is laminated in the country of the yacht club represented by the Competitor. The surface of these forward sections shall be as defined in Rule 7 of the AC Class Rule and shall be no less than 2.7 m long measured aft from the Stem plane. The constructed in country requirements of the Deed of Gift shall not apply to any other parts, structure or components of the AC Class Yacht. Each Competitor shall deliver a builder's certificate in a form acceptable to the Measurement Committee confirming that the Hulls have been constructed in accordance with this Article 35.15.”

Dated the 12th day of June 2015

AGREED AND ACCEPTED:

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KANSAI YACHT CLUB



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[Note: As per Protocol Article 1.1(p-bis) and 16.4-bis(b), Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron and Yacht Club de France are not eligible to vote on this Protocol Amendment No. 6.