2025 Stand Up Paddling Rule Change Proposals

#	Editor: NF / BoD / SUP Commission	CR/PR/SR	ART.	EXISTING WORDING	PROPOSED WORDING. All modifications must be written in bold blue	Committee/NF Comment	Committee STAND	BOARD STAND April 2024	CONGRESS November 2024
1	SUP Commission	PR	13.1.1	Sprint — Junior (U18) Men & Women — SUP Hard Board 14' ; Long Distance/Technical — Junior (U18) Men & Women / Junior (U18) Men & Women Team Event — SUP Hard Board 14'	**Juniors (U18) are restricted to use designated (one-design) ICF SUP Hard Board 14'** Sprint — Junior (U18) Men & Women — ICF SUP Hard Board 14' ; Long Distance/Technical — Junior (U18) Men & Women / Junior (U18) Men & Women Team Event — ICF SUP Hard Board 14'	Racing on one-design boards make the sport more accessible for juniors, less cost for equipment and board transportation.	In Favour	In Favour	
2	SUP Commission	SR	10.7.4	new	**When boats are overlapped at a turning buoy, the outside boat shall give the inside boat room. Boards are considered overlapped when one paddler has half of their board and over ahead of the other board's nose. The paddler ahead has the right of way, even if they are on the outside.**	The right of way rule was missing from the rules so far.	In Favour	Approved the rule	
3	SUP Commission	SR	10.8.3	10.8.3 - Any athlete who is considered by a Course Umpire(s) or Race Director to have been responsible for a collision, or who damages the board or paddle of another athlete or unnecessarily deviates from the direct racing line or deliberately blocks or impedes the path of other athlete(s) may be penalised or disqualified	10.8.3 - Any athlete who is considered by a Course Umpire(s) or Race Director to have been responsible for a collision, or who damages the board or paddle of another athlete or unnecessarily deviates from the direct racing line or deliberately blocks or impedes the path of other athlete(s) may be penalised or disqualified **and the athlete who suffered the incident might advance to the next phase of the event decided by the Race Director.**	There was no possibility to advance someone to the next phase if knocked out by someone else.	In Favour	Approved the rule	