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Onderwerp: Proposal to Keep Trapeze Height Limit in Class Rules
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Last year it was approved for a one year temporary period to limit the trapeze connection point to a maximum of 6820mm (70 mm above the shroud) from the mast datum point.

Current Rule:

F.3.4 DIMENSIONS

The **mast** shall be watertight from 450 mm above the **mast datum point** upwards.

	Maximum
Mast spar circumference	385 mm
Shroud height	6750 mm
Distance between trapeze connection point and mast datum point	6820 mm
Gennaker hoist height	8150 mm

The USA NCA proposes to make this a permanent change to the class rules.

Rationale:

This was a loop hole with the connection point for the trapeze wires not specified in the class rules but in practice for all boats they were attached to the same plate attached to the mast so were within a few cm of the shroud height. One boat in the 2022 Worrell 1000 experimented with raising the attachment point. This boat broke their mast while sailing upwind with both crew trapezing. To maintain consistency in the class the US NCA desires to keep this limitation.

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