

# LARK CLASS RULES

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## INTRODUCTION

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*The Lark Class Rules are **closed class rules** (previously known as one-design class rules) where anything not specifically permitted by the class rules is prohibited. The rules are intended to ensure that boats in the Lark Class are as nearly as possible the same as regards shape and weight of hull, the deck, centreboard,, spars and sails, and in all respects affecting performance.*

*Lark hulls, centreboards, rigs and sails are measurement controlled.*

*Larks shall only be manufactured by the LCOA licensed builder, using the moulds for the hull and deck approved by the LCOA and owned by the LCOA.*

*Lark rudders may be manufactured by optional builders.*

*Lark masts and booms shall only be manufactured by Selden Masts UK Ltd. Spinnaker poles may be manufactured by optional builders.*

*Lark sails may be manufactured by any sailmaker.*

*Lark hulls, hull appendages, masts, booms and sails may, after having left the manufacturer, only be altered to the extent permitted in Section C of the class rules.*

*Owners and crews should be aware that compliance with rules in Section C is NOT checked as part of the certification process.*

*Rules regulating the use of equipment during a race are contained in Section C of these class rules, in ERS Part I and in the Racing Rules of Sailing.*

*This introduction only provides an informal background and the Lark Class Rules proper begin on the next page.*

**PLEASE REMEMBER  
THESE RULES ARE CLOSED CLASS RULES  
WHERE IF IT DOES NOT SPECIFICALLY SAY THAT  
YOU CAN  
THEN YOU CAN NOT.**

# PART I – ADMINISTRATION

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## Section A – General

### A.1 LANGUAGE

- A.1.1 The official language of the class is English and in case of dispute over translation the English text shall prevail.
- A.1.2 The word “shall” is mandatory and the word “may” is permissive.

### A.2 ABBREVIATIONS

- A.2.1 LCOA Lark Class Owners Association
- ERS Equipment Rules of Sailing
- RRS Racing Rules of Sailing

### A.3 AUTHORITIES

- A.3.1 The Class Rule Authority of the class is the LCOA which governs in all matters concerning these class rules.
- A.3.2 Notwithstanding anything contained herein, the **Certification Authority** has the authority to withdraw a **certificate**.

### A.4 ADMINISTRATION OF THE CLASS

- A.4.1 The class shall be administered by the LCOA.

### A.5 ISAF RULES

- A.5.1 These class rules shall be read in conjunction with the ERS.
- A.5.2 Except where used in headings, when a term is printed in “bold” the definition in the ERS applies and when a term is printed in “italics” the definition in the RRS applies.

### A.6 CLASS RULES VARIATIONS

- A.6.1 Class rules may only be varied at events as per RRS 87.

### A.7 CLASS RULES AMENDMENTS

- A.7.1 Amendments to these class rules are subject to the approval of the Class Rules Authority.

### A.8 CLASS RULES INTERPRETATION

- A.8.1 Interpretation of class rules shall be made by the Class Rules Authority.
- A.8.2 Interpretation of class rules at an event shall be carried out in accordance with the RRS. The event organising authority shall, as soon as practical after the event, inform the LCOA of any such interpretation.

### A.9 CLASS FEE AND HULL NUMBER

- A.9.1 The owner shall pay the Class Building Fee to the LCOA on commencement of building whether or not it is subsequently certified.
- A.9.2 The LCOA shall, after having received the Class Building Fee for the hull, send a Building Fee receipt.

## **A.10 SAIL NUMBERS**

A.10.1 Sail numbers shall be issued by the licensed builder.

## **A.11 HULL CERTIFICATION**

A.11.1 A certificate shall record the following information:

- (a) Sail number
- (b) Owner
- (c) Builder/Manufacturers details
- (d) Date of issue of initial certificate
- (e) Date of issue of certificate
- (f) Hull Weight
- (g) Details of corrector weights
- (h) Buoyancy
- (i) Name of relevant official measurers

## **A.12 INITIAL HULL CERTIFICATION**

A.12.1 For a certificate to be issued to hull not previously certified:

- (a) Certification measurement shall be carried out by the official measurer who shall complete the appropriate documentation.
- (b) Upon receipt of a satisfactorily completed documentation the certification authority may issue a certificate.

## **A.13 VALIDITY OF CERTIFICATE**

A.13.1 A hull certificate becomes invalid upon:

- (a) The change to any items recorded on the hull certificate as required under A.11.
- (b) Withdrawal by the certification authority.
- (c) The issue of a new certificate.

## **A.14 HULL RE-CERTIFICATION**

A.14.1 The certification authority may issue a certificate to a previously certified hull:

- (a) When it is invalidated under A.13.1 (a), after receipt of the old certificate when available.
- (b) When it is invalidated under A.13.1 (b), at its discretion.
- (c) In other cases, by application of the procedure in A.12.

## **A.15 RETENTION OF CERTIFICATION DOCUMENTATION**

A.15.1 The certification authority shall:

- (a) Retain the original documentation upon which the current certificate is based.

## **Section B – Boat Eligibility**

For a boat to be eligible for racing, it shall comply with the rules in this section.

### **B.1 CLASS RULES AND CERTIFICATION**

- B.1.1 The boat shall:
  - (a) Be in compliance with the class rules.
  - (b) Have a valid hull certificate.

### **B.2 CLASS ASSOCIATION**

- B.2.1 The crew shall be a current member of the LCOA

### **B.3 BUOYANCY**

- B.3.1 Hulls shall be tested during class measurement and thereafter annually by a club official or class measurer who will endorse the measurement record if satisfied. The test requires super or sub atmospheric pressure to be applied to each buoyancy compartment sufficient to produce a reading of 1.25kPa (125mm) of water and this shall not drop to less than 0.5kPa (50mm) in 30 seconds.
- B.3.2 Boats built prior to sail number 2462 shall also include 0.113m<sup>3</sup> of foam buoyancy.

### **B.4 EVENT INSPECTION**

#### **B.4.1 GENERAL**

The role of Equipment Inspectors at an event is to verify that equipment has been produced by the Licensed Manufacturer and has not been subsequently altered (other than as is permitted within these rules) using whatever inspection methods they deem appropriate, including comparison with a reference sample of the type of equipment presented for inspection. Should this comparison reveal deviation greater than the Equipment Inspector considers being within manufacturing tolerances, the matter shall be reported to the Race Committee.

Such occurrences shall be reported to the LCOA for investigation and a ruling on the eligibility of the equipment for racing.

## **PART II – REQUIREMENTS AND LIMITATIONS**

The crew and the boat shall comply with the rules in Part II when racing. In case of conflict Section C shall prevail.

The rules in Part II are closed class rules. Equipment control and equipment inspection shall be carried out in accordance with the ERS except where varied in this Part.

### **Section C – Conditions for Racing**

#### **C.1 GENERAL**

##### **C.1.1 RULES**

- (a) The ERS Part I – Use of Equipment shall apply.

#### **C.2 CREW**

##### **C.2.1 LIMITATIONS**

- (a) The crew shall consist of 2 persons.

#### **C.3 PERSONAL EQUIPMENT**

##### **C.3.1 MANDATORY**

- (a) The boat shall be equipped with personal flotation devices (PFD) for each crew member to the minimum standard EN 393 or ISO 12402:5, (CE 50 Newtons).

#### **C.4 ADVERTISING**

##### **C.4.1 LIMITATIONS**

Advertising shall only be displayed in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.

#### **C.5 PORTABLE EQUIPMENT**

##### **C.5.1 FOR USE**

###### **(a) OPTIONAL**

- (1) Electronic or mechanical timing devices.
- (2) One magnetic or electronic compass showing only information relating to heading, bearing, current or elapsed time.
- (3) GPS device showing only information relating to heading, speed, VMG, bearing, current or elapsed time.
- (4) Maps, charts and means of recording courses and compass headings.
- (5) Items for storage of food, drink, clothing, safety equipment or relevant tools.
- (6) Mobile phone, solely for emergency communications.
- (7) Video and / or still cameras.
- (8) Hand bailer(s) and/or sponge(s)
- (9) Tow rope



C.5.2 NOT FOR USE

(a) OPTIONAL

- (1) Paddle

**C.6 BOAT**

C.6.1 WEIGHT

- (a) The weight of the boat in dry condition with spars, sails, rudder, tiller, sheets and all other loose gear removed excluding control lines, centreboard and its tackle and any corrector weights in place shall not be less than 95kg.
- (b) The weight of the boat in C.6.1(a) shall be taken to include permanently fitted portable equipment.

C.6.2 CORRECTOR WEIGHTS

- (a) Corrector weights shall be permanently fastened to the main thwart and may also be fixed to the forward thwart if more space is required when the boat weight in C.6.1(a) is less than the minimum requirement.
- (b) The total weight of such corrector weights shall not exceed 20kg. See also rules A.11.1 and B.1.1.
- (c) Corrector weights fitted after 01/01/16 shall be permanently marked with their weight.

**C.7 HULL**

C.7.1 MODIFICATIONS, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR

- (a) Routine maintenance such as polishing is permitted.
- (b) Cleats, blocks, fittings, rope, elastic, toe straps, calibration marks and tape supplied by any manufacturer may be used.
- (c) Watertight sealant may be used to ensure watertight integrity.
- (d) Inspection hatches not more than 200mm in diameter may be fitted. The fitting of inspection hatches invalidates any current buoyancy test endorsement. Drainage bungs shall be considered as inspection hatches.
- (e) Boats built prior to sail number 2462 are permitted apertures in the transom provided they do not alter the outer profile. Except for two drainage holes of no more than 25mm in diameter these must not be within 25mm of the floor or buoyancy tank sides.
- (f) A plate of maximum thickness 9mm may be mounted underneath the mast step for securing fittings.

C.7.2 MAINTENANCE

- (a) The watertight integrity of the **hull** shall be maintained.

- (b) Inspection hatches shall be kept in place at all times.

### C.7.3 REPAIR

- (a) In the event of damage to any part of the hull, necessary repairs may be made provided repairs are made in such a way that the essential shape and function is not materially affected. Areas of damage repair may be filled, sanded and polished.
- (b) The moulded non slip areas of the deck may be re-applied/re-gripped with an optional non slip material.

### C.7.4 LIMITATIONS

- (a) Only one hull shall be used in an event, except when lost or damaged beyond repair. Any replacement shall only be made with the approval of the Race Committee.

## C.8 HULL APPENDAGES

### C.8.1 MODIFICATIONS, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR

- (a) Routine maintenance such as polishing and the repair of damage and scratches is permitted.
- (b) The hull appendages may be secured to the boat.
- (c) The centreboard may be modified to allow participation at shallow water events at the discretion of the LCOA Committee.

### C.8.2 LIMITATIONS

#### C.8.2.1 CENTREBOARD

- (a) The profile shall conform to Plan B with 6mm tolerances.
- (b) Shall be made of aluminium alloy of 6mm minimum and 6.7mm maximum thickness.
- (c) Less tackle shall not weigh less than 7.25kg.

#### C.8.2.2 RUDDER

- (a) Shall be formed of a single blade.

## C.9 RIG

### C.9.1 MODIFICATIONS, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR

- (a) Routine maintenance such as polishing and the replacement of broken manufacture controlled fittings is permitted.
- (b) Spars shall not be altered in any way except as permitted by these class rules.

### C.9.2 FITTINGS

- (a) One mechanical wind indicator is permitted.
- (b) A spinnaker crane is permitted.

- (c) Twin spinnaker pole systems are permitted.
- (d) An additional spinnaker pole ring is permitted at any height on the mast.
- (e) One external collar of maximum length 300mm may be fitted around the mast at deck level to provide protection.

### C.9.3 LIMITATIONS

- (a) Only one set of **spars** and standing **rigging** shall be used during an event of less than 7 consecutive days, except when an item has been lost or damaged beyond repair.
- (b) The fitting to attach the **spinnaker pole** to the mast shall not extend more than 50mm from the surface of the mast.
- (c) There shall be one pair of **spreaders** connecting the shrouds to the mast. No other devices which control mast bend shall act higher than 760 above the **MDP**.

### C.9.4 MAST

- (a) USE
  - (1) There are no restrictions.

### C.9.5 BOOM

- (a) USE
  - (1) There are no restrictions.

### C.9.6 SPINNAKER POLE

- (a) USE
  - (1) There are no restrictions.

### C.9.7 STANDING RIGGING

- (a) USE
  - (1) Rigging may be adjusted
  - (2) **Boats** with no support to the aft side of the mast at deck level shall have a **forestay** fitted

### C.9.8 RUNNING RIGGING

- (a) Running rigging is optional.

### C.9.9 OTHER RIGGING

- (a) No other rigging may be used.

## C.10 SAILS

### C.10.1 MODIFICATIONS, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR

- (a) Sails shall not be altered in any way except as permitted by these class rules.
- (b) Routine maintenance such as small repairs are permitted without re-measurement and re-certification.

## C.10.2 LIMITATIONS

- (a) Not more than one mainsail, one jib, and one spinnaker shall be carried aboard.

## C.10.3 MAINSAIL

### (a) USE

- (1) The sail may be hoisted on a halyard.
- (2) The sail shall be set so that the aft most visible part of the leach, projected at 90° to the boom spar, shall not be behind the fore side of the boom outer limit mark.
- (3) The luff bolt rope shall be set in the spar groove or track.

### (b) IDENTIFICATION

The **Sail** Numbers shall be placed as per RRS Appendix G. National letters are not required, this changes RRS Appendix G.

## C.10.4 JIB

### (a) USE

- (1) The **sail** may be hoisted on a **halyard**.

## C.10.5 SPINNAKER

### (a) USE

- (1) The **sail** shall be hoisted on a **halyard**.
- (2) The **sail** may be recovered using a retrieval line.

### (b) IDENTIFICATION

Sail Numbers are not required, this changes RRS Appendix G.

## Section D – Hull

### D.1 MANUFACTURER

Hulls shall only be manufactured by a Licensed Manufacturer from the LCOA owned official moulds. (See H.5.)

Hulls prior to sail number 2462 shall conform to alternative measurements appropriate to their design where indicated.

### D.2 PARTS

#### D.2.1 MANDATORY

- (a) **Hull** shell.
- (b) Deck.
- (c) **Centreboard** capping/thwart.
- (d) Buoyancy tanks.

D.2.2 OPTIONAL

- (a) Spinnaker chute moulding.

**D.2 GENERAL**

D.2.1 RULES

- (a) The hull shall comply with the class rules in force at the time of initial certification.

D.2.2 CERTIFICATION

- (a) See Rule A.12.

D.2.3 MODIFICATIONS, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR

- (a) The hull shall not be altered in any way except as permitted by these class rules.
- (b) Holes not bigger than necessary for the installation fittings and passage of lines may be made in the hull
- (c) Routine maintenance such as painting and polishing is permitted without re-measurement and re-certification.

D.2.4 DEFINITIONS

(a) HULL DATUM POINT

The hull datum point is defined as the aft side of the top of the transom at the centreline.

(b) FORWARD MEASUREMENT POINT

The Forward Measurement Point is defined as the sheerline at the bow on the centreline.

D.2.5 IDENTIFICATION

- (a) The **boat** shall bear its registered number permanently engraved or embossed on the outside of the transom in such a way that the number is clearly visible and cannot be defaced or removed.
- (b) **Boats** prior to sail number 2462 may have the number located inside the transom or the rear of the cockpit.

D.2.7 MATERIALS

- (a) The **hull** shell, buoyancy tanks and spinnaker chute moulding shall be built from GRP
- (b) The deck, thwart and centreboard capping shall be constructed from either GRP or wood

### D.3 HULL SHELL

#### D.3.1 CONSTRUCTION AND DIMENSIONS

- (a) Shall comply with the LCOA approved Builders Construction Manual.
- (b) Hull Length shall be 4065mm  $\pm$  12mm
- (c) Hull Beam shall be 1642mm  $\pm$  22mm

### D.4 DECK

See H.4.

#### D.4.1 CONSTRUCTION AND DIMENSIONS

- (a) The distance from the forward measurement point and the intersection of the shrouds extended if necessary and sheerline shall be 1825mm  $\pm$  5mm
- (b) Boats measured before 2008 are exempt from rule D.4.1(a) providing the distance between the intersection of the shrouds, extended if necessary, and the transom is 2390mm  $\pm$  12mm
- (c) Boats prior to sail number 2462 are permitted openings in the foredeck to a maximum of 0.3m<sup>2</sup>

##### D.4.1.1 CONSTRUCTION AND DIMENSIONS FOR BOATS WITH WOODEN DECKS

- (a) Wood decked **boats** shall be built so that they are essentially similar to GRP **boats** in shape, stiffness or other characteristics that might affect performance. Any part of a wooden deck shall be within  $\pm$  12mm of an individual GRP Lark in both horizontal or vertical planes, with the exception of localised areas where GRP has rounded lines appropriate to that material that are not appropriate in wood.
- (b) The depth of the **hull** at the **sheerline** shall be:
  - i. 535mm  $\pm$  12mm at forward measurement point
  - ii. 535mm  $\pm$  12mm measured at 2032mm from the **hull datum point**
  - iii. 280mm  $\pm$  12mm measured from the **hull datum point** to the extension of the underside of the **hull** moulding

#### D.5 CENTREBOARD CAPPING/THWART MOULDING

- (a) The **centreboard** pivot shall be 2335mm  $\pm$  12mm from the **hull datum point**.
- (b) For **boats** prior to sail number 2462 the **centreboard** pivot shall be 2310mm  $\pm$  12mm from aft side of the transom.

## Section E – Hull Appendages

### E.1 PARTS

#### E.1.1 MANDATORY

- (a) **Centreboard**
- (b) **Rudder**

### E.2 GENERAL

#### E.2.2 CERTIFICATION

- (a) The **official measurer** shall certify the **centreboard**

### E.3 CENTREBOARD

#### E.3.1 RULES

- (a) The **Centreboard** shall comply with these **class rules**.

#### E.3.2 DEFINITIONS

- (a)

#### E.3.3 MANUFACTURERS

- (a) Manufacturers are optional.

#### E.3.4 MATERIALS

- (a) Shall be manufactured from aluminium alloy.
- (b) May be covered with any coating which shall not affect the stiffness of the centreboard.

#### E.3.5 CONSTRUCTION

- (a) Shall be manufactured to the template provided in Plan B.

#### E.3.6 MODIFICATION

- (a) Edges may be chamfered, rounded or radiused to a maximum of 40mm from any edge or corner.

#### E.3.7 DIMENSIONS

The thickness shall be  $6.35\text{mm} \pm 0.35\text{mm}$

#### E.3.8 WEIGHT

The weight shall be less than 7.25kg.

## **E.4 RUDDER AND TILLER**

### **E.4.1 RULES**

- (a) The rudder shall be formed of a single blade.
- (b) The type and size of the rudder is optional
- (c) The type, size and arrangement of the tiller and extension are optional

### **E.4.2 MANUFACTURERS**

- (a) Manufacturers are optional.

### **E.4.3 MATERIALS**

- (a) Are optional

### **E.4.4 FITTINGS**

- (a) The design of the rudder bearings is optional.

## **Section F – Rig**

### **F.1 PARTS**

#### **F.1.1 MANDATORY**

- (a) **Mast**
- (b) **Boom**
- (c) **Standing Rigging**

#### **F.1.2 OPTIONAL**

- (a) **Spinnaker poles**
- (b) **Running Rigging**

### **F.2 GENERAL**

#### **F.2.1 RULES**

- (a) The Rig shall comply with these class rules or the class rules in force at the time of initial certification.

#### **F.2.2 MODIFICATIONS, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR**

- (a) Spars shall not be altered in any way except as permitted by these class rules.
- (b) Routine maintenance such as replacement of fittings is permitted without re-measurement.

#### **F.2.3 DEFINITIONS**

- (a) **MAST DATUM POINT**

The mast datum point is the heel point.



## F.2.4 MANUFACTURER

### MANDATORY

- (a) Masts and booms shall only be manufactured by a Licensed Manufacturer
- (b) No license is required to manufacture the spinnaker pole

## F.3. MAST

### F.3.1 DIMENSIONS

See H.3. & H.6.

	Minimum	Maximum
<b>Mast datum point to upper point</b>		6670mm
Height of <b>headsail luff rigging point</b> , extended if necessary.		5075mm
<b>Spinnaker hoist height</b>		5196mm
<b>Limit Mark Width</b> (only one set permitted)		10mm
Distance from <b>Lower limit mark to mast datum point</b>		1105mm
<b>Spinnaker pole fitting projection</b>		50mm
Point of action of <b>mast ram</b> above <b>mast datum point</b>		760mm
<b>Mast spar curvature</b>		30mm

### F.3.2 FITTINGS

#### (a) MANDATORY

- (1) Mast head crane
- (2) Shroud fittings
- (3) One set of spreaders

- (4) Headsail halyard sheave box
- (5) Spinnaker halyard sheave box
- (6) Spinnaker pole fitting(s)
- (7) Spinnaker pole lift block with attachment
- (8) Gooseneck
- (9) Heel fitting

(b) OPTIONAL

- (1) Mechanical wind indicator(s)
- (2) Compass bracket
- (3) Spinnaker crane
- (4) Spinnaker pole downhaul block with attachment
- (5) Kicking strap attachment
- (6) Cunningham
- (7) Mast ram
- (8) External collar of no more than 300mm in length fitted at deck level

**F.4 BOOM**

F.4.1 DIMENSIONS

	Minimum	Maximum
<b>Outer point distance</b>		2515mm
<b>Boom spar curvature</b>		30mm

**F.4.2 FITTINGS**

(a) MANDATORY

- (1) **Tack** Fitting

(b) OPTIONAL

- (1) **Clew** Fitting
- (2) Kicking strap attachment
- (3) Mainsheet attachment(s)
- (4) **Spinnaker pole** stowage
- (5) **Outhaul**
- (6) Flattener
- (7) Chafe Pads

**F.5 SPINNAKER POLE**

F.5.1 MANUFACTURER

(a) Manufacturer is optional.

F.5.2 MATERIALS

(a) The material of the spar is optional.

F.5.3 CONSTRUCTION

(a) The construction is optional.

F.5.4 FITTINGS

(a) Fittings are optional.

F.5.5 DIMENSIONS

	Minimum	Maximum
<b>Spinnaker pole length</b>		1525mm

**F.6 STANDING RIGGING**

F.6.1 MATERIALS

(a) The **standing rigging** shall be of stainless steel wire - excluding any shroud purchase systems.

F.6.2 CONSTRUCTION

(a)MANDATORY

(1) **Shrouds.**

(2) **Forestay** – for **boats** without an enclosed **mast** gate at deck level.

(b) OPTIONAL

(1) **Forestay**

F.6.3 DIMENSIONS

	Minimum	Maximum
<b>Forestay diameter</b>	1.50 mm	

<b>Shroud diameter</b>	2.00 mm	
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- F.6.4 FITTINGS  
(a) Optional

**F.7 RUNNING RIGGING**

- F.7.1 MATERIALS  
(a) Materials are optional.

- F.7.2 CONSTRUCTION  
(a) The type of running rigging is optional.

- F.7.3 FITTINGS  
(a) Optional

**Section G – Sails**

**G.1 PARTS**

- G.1.1 MANDATORY  
(a) **Mainsail**  
(b) **Headsail**

- G.1.2 OPTIONAL  
(a) Spinnaker

**G.2 GENERAL**

- G.2.1 RULES  
(a) Sails shall comply with the class rules in force at the time of certification.

- G.2.2 CERTIFICATION  
(a) The official measurer shall certify mainsails and headsails in the tack and spinnakers in the head and shall sign and date the certification mark.

- G.2.3 SAILMAKER  
(a) Any manufacturer may be used.

### G.3 MAINSAIL

#### G.3.1 IDENTIFICATION

- (a) The class insignia shall be of minimum overall height 225mm and composed of letters (Sans Serif or other approved by the LCOA) the class insignia shall be LARK or Lark.
- (b) The **sail** numbers shall comply with the RRS except where prescribed otherwise in these class rules.

#### G.3.2 MATERIALS

- (a) The sail shall be made of a single **ply**.
- (b) **Stiffening** is optional.
- (c) **Sail reinforcement** is optional but shall consist of single **ply**

#### G.3.3 CONSTRUCTION

- (a) The construction shall be: **soft sail**, single **ply sail**.
- (b) The **body** of the **sail** shall consist of the same **ply** throughout.
- (c) The **sail** shall have a maximum of 3 **batten pockets** in the **leech**.
- (d) The battens shall remain in place during measurement. (this differs from the ERS)
- (e) Loose footed **mainsails** are not permitted.
- (f) The following are permitted: Stitching, glues, tapes, bolt ropes, corner eyes, headboard with fixings, cunningham eye or pulley, **batten pockets**, **batten pocket patches**, **batten pocket** elastic, **boom** slide, **leech** line with cleat, one flattener eye on leach, **windows**, tell tales, **chafing patches** and items as permitted or prescribed by other applicable *rules*.

#### G.3.4 DIMENSIONS

There shall be three datum points.

Datum 1 shall be the point on the **leech** 1500mm from the **aft head point**

Datum 2 shall be a point 1500mm down the **leech** from Datum 1

Datum 3 shall be a point 1500mm down the **leech** from Datum 2

The crosswidth is the shortest distance from a datum point to the **luff**

	Minimum	Maximum
Headboard width from <b>luff</b>		135mm
<b>Leech length</b>		6000mm

Crosswidth from Datum 1		1145 mm
Top <b>Batten Pocket</b> internal length		1220 mm
Crosswidth from Datum 2		1780 mm
Middle <b>Batten Pocket</b> internal length		815mm
Crosswidth from Datum 3		2250 mm
Lower <b>Batten Pocket</b> internal length		815 mm
<b>Batten Pocket</b> to Datum Point		40mm
External <b>Batten Pocket</b> Width		50mm
<b>Window Area</b>		0.5m <sup>2</sup>

## G.4 HEADSAIL

### G.4.1 MATERIALS

- (a) The sail shall be made of a single **ply**.
- (b) **Stiffening** is optional.
- (c) **Sail reinforcement** is optional but shall consist of single **ply**

### G.4.2 CONSTRUCTION

- (a) The construction shall be: soft **sail**, single **ply sail**.
- (b) The body of the **sail** shall consist of the same **ply** throughout.
- (c) The following are permitted: Stitching, glues, tapes, corner eyes, hanks, **luff** wire, **leech** line with cleat, Jib cunningham with cleat, **windows**, tell tales, **luff** wire pocket and items as permitted or prescribed by other applicable rules.

### G.4.3 DIMENSIONS

	Minimum	Maximum
<b>Luff length</b>		3635mm
<b>Leech length</b>		3565mm
<b>Foot length</b>		1650mm
Distance from the <b>head</b> to the <b>foot</b> at any point		3700mm

<b>Window Area</b>		0.5m <sup>2</sup>
Centre of cringle to <b>sail</b> edge		30mm

## G.5 SPINNAKER

### G.5.1 MATERIALS

- (a) The **ply** fibres are optional

### G.5.2 CONSTRUCTION

- (a) The construction shall be: **soft sail**, single **ply sail**.
- (b) The **body of the sail** shall consist of either **woven ply**.
- (c) The following are permitted: Stitching, glues, tapes, corner eyes, headboard, stiffening, recovery line eyes, tell tales and items as permitted or prescribed by other applicable *rules*.

### G.5.3 DIMENSIONS

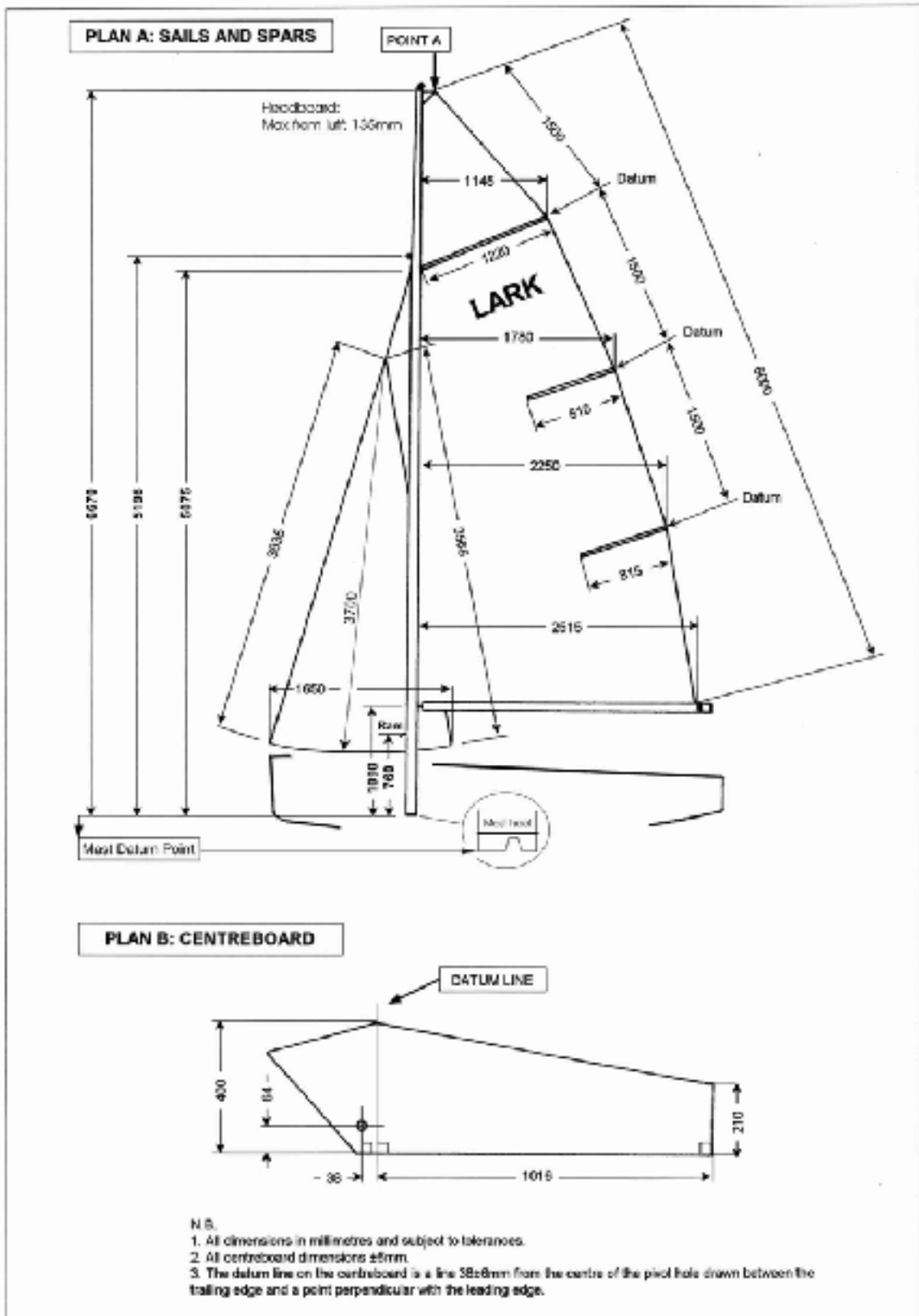
	Minimum	Maximum
<b>Leech length</b>		4100mm
<b>Luff length</b>		4100 mm
<b>Half width</b> at half leach/luff	2140mm	
Width		2600 mm
Head board		130 mm
<b>Foot median</b>		4500mm
<b>Foot length</b>		2300mm

# PART III – APPENDICES

The rules in Part III are closed class rules. Measurement shall be carried out in accordance with the ERS except where varied in this Part.

## Section H

### H.1. MEASUREMENT DIAGRAMS





## **H.2. MAST**

The **mast** shall be Seldén 'Kappa' section.

Lark **masts** manufactured prior to June 2009 were Seldén 'C' section and shall remain in class provided they comply with the rules in force at their time of manufacture.

## **H.3. BOOM**

The **boom** shall be Seldén 'C', '2520' or '2628' section.

## **H.4. MAST DATUM POINT**

Until 30.9.1986 measurements were taken along the **mast** from the inside skin of the **hull**.

## **H.5. RONDAR HULL**

These rules were modified in June 2001 to take account of the dimensions of the deck layout of the new Rondar Lark

## **H.6. LARK PLUG**

The rules were amended to version 2008 to reflect the loss of the Lark plug and to centre the rules around the current design of **hulls** and **spars**.

## **H.7. LIMIT MARKS**

Prior to fixed goosenecks black bands were required as follows:

The lower edge of the upper band shall be 6615mm maximum and the upper edge of the lower band shall be 1100mm minimum from the shoulder at the heel.

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