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## Rules Specialist Group 2021-2024 Racing Rules of Sailing

### Technical committee, ability to protest.

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#### Scenario:

At a regatta Boat A tells the technical committee that they believe an item or system on Boat B is not allowed under the class rule. The technical committee inspect boat B and determine the item or system is not in compliance with the class rule.

In this scenario:

#### Question 1

Does 60.4(a) allow the technical committee to protest Boat B?

#### Answer 1

Yes, the technical committee has decided the equipment does not comply.

#### Question 2

Must the technical committee protest Boat B?

#### Answer 2

Yes, the rule states they 'shall' protest.

On behalf of the Rules Specialist Group  
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