Amendments to Rules of the Atlantic Class Association, January 2019 with explanatory annotations in italics:

Rule 1.1 Purpose. REPLACE "the International Yacht Racing Union" with "World Sailing"

Rule 14.1, Hauling Out. DELETE "A boat that has been out of the water for more than 24 hours must remain in the water for more than 72 hours before competing in a club race or in the championship series." This change does not invite dry sailing Atlantics, the remainder of Rule 14.1 still prohibits that. However, it does eliminate the three day waiting period for racing after hauling which we have waived at all National Championships for the last ten years. Rule 14.2 still permits the Rules Committee to waive the restrictions against hauling in light of specific circumstances.

Rule 15.7 Sails. Material. REPLACE "... per yard." with "per yard of 28-1/2" width." This does NOT change the main and jib sailcloth specification currently in use by the Class, it merely clarifies that the weight designation is per the standard sailmaker's square yard of 28-1/2 inch width.

Rules 15.9 Jib. DELETE entire section 15.9.1 through 15.9.6 and the Atlantic Class Rules Drawing, page 7 "Atlantic Class Jib Measurement Template (Feb. 1985)" and REPLACE with new Rules Drawing: "Atlantic Class Jib Measurement 2019", attached and the following text:

- 15.9.1 Three battens only are permitted, the length and position of battens shall comply with Jib Measurement drawing. Batten width shall not exceed two inches.
- 15.9.2 Jibs shall be attached to the jib stay by means of metal hanks at all times while the sail is set, and shall have a minimum of eight hanks and a maximum of 17 metal hanks sizes 1 or 0, evenly spaced. Floating luff jibs are not permitted.
- 15.9.3 Jib shall be measured in accordance with Jib Measurement drawing and comply with all measurements therein
- 15.9.4 A clewboard, if installed, shall be limited to four inches along the foot and four inches along the leech measured from the clew point, the intersection of the foot and the leech, each extended as necessary.

The new Jib rule changes do NOT change the specifications of the jib, only the method of measurement. It eliminates the need for a measurement template, makes it easier for sailmakers to manufacture to the specification, and brings the measurement method in line with methods used by most one-design classes.