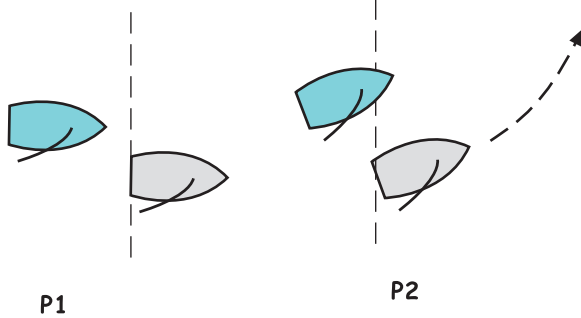


Luffing/Proper Course Basics

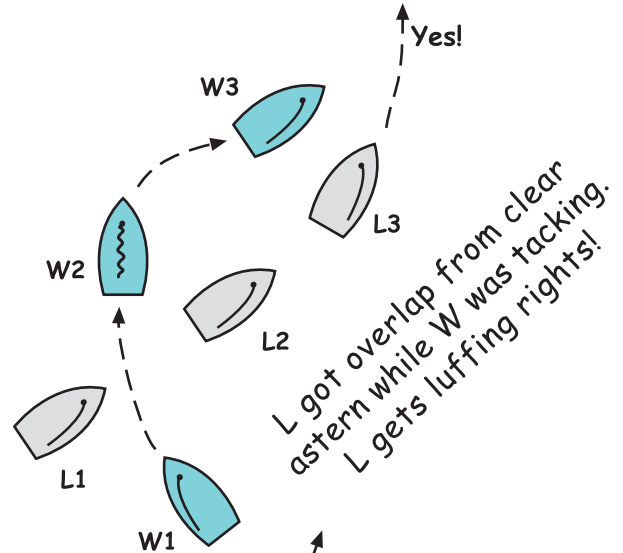
If the windward boat overlaps you from clear astern you can luff them. i.e. you have luffing rights

There's no rule that says you HAVE to sail a 'proper course' ... just rules that say sometimes you cannot sail above or below your proper course.

Familiar luffing match on a reach

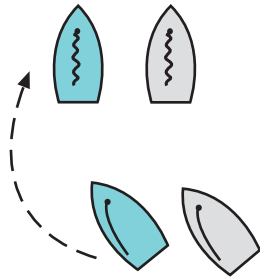


PROPER COURSE: The course you would sail to finish ASAP.

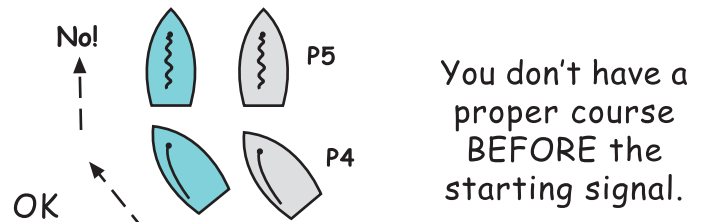


"Instantaneous overlap"

Even on a beat, if you have luffing rights you can go head to wind.



What are you going to do if you get into this situation? That's why you should practice dial-ups

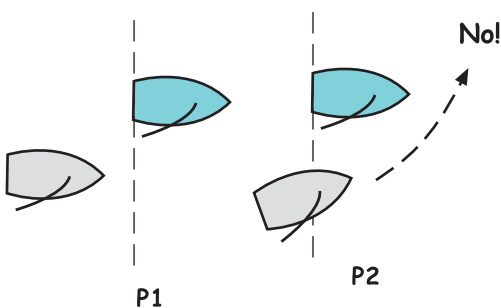


You don't have a proper course BEFORE the starting signal.

BANG!!

Remember how you got overlapped.

If you overlap to leeward from clear astern you DO NOT get luffing rights



Overlap from clear astern before the starting signal

