



The 41st Annual Newport Regatta

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Organizing Authority, Sail Newport



AMENDMENT TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS FOR IC37 CLASS ONLY

In section 9.3 delete "For the IC37 Class, the Race Committee will attempt to notify OCS boats by radio on the VHF channel and/or digitally via the Velocitek."

The following sections are added:

9.4 Starting System and OCS notification: The Race Committee intends to utilize the Velocitek system for all race starts to provide a digital representation of the starting line and to identify OCS boats and notify them via digital signals to each boat's Velocitek unit. If the Race Committee determines that the system will not be used, they will display Flag G prior to the warning signal (see SI 9.6).

9.5 Velocitek Starting System (a) The starting line will be a digital representation of the line between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starboard end signal vessel and a staff displaying an orange flag on the port-end starting mark.

(b) When Velocitek is used, in addition to the race signals in RRS 29, individual OCS boats will be notified digitally via their Velocitek unit. Boats identified as OCS will also be notified digitally via their Velocitek unit upon returning to the pre-start side of the starting line. There will be no VHF hails. Failure of this equipment will not be grounds for a boat to request redress. This changes RRS 61.4(b).

9.6 Flag G Starting System (a) The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starboard end signal vessel and a staff displaying an orange flag on the port-end starting mark.

(b) The Race Committee will endeavor to hail boats observed to be OCS at the start on VHF 72 as a courtesy. Failure of the hailing equipment, failure to hear a hail, delay in hailing or the order in which hails are given will not be grounds for a boat to request redress. This changes RRS 61.4(b).