

Race Signals

Postponement Signals



AP Races not started are postponed. The warning signal will be made 1 minute after removal unless at that time the race is postponed again or abandoned.

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AP over H
Races not started are postponed. Further signals ashore.

↑ **



AP over A
Races not started are postponed. No more racing today.

↑ **

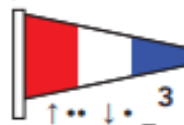
AP over a numeral pennant 1–9 Postponement of 1–9 hours from the scheduled starting time.



↑ ** ↓ • 1



↑ ** ↓ • 2



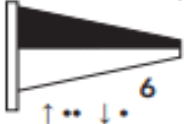
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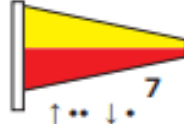
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↑ ** ↓ • 8



↑ ** ↓ • 9

Abandonment Signals



N All races that have started are abandoned. Return to the starting area. The warning signal will be made 1 minute after removal unless at that time the race is abandoned again or postponed.

↑ *** ↓ •



N over H
All races are abandoned. Further signals ashore.

↑ ***



N over A
All races are abandoned. No more racing today.

↑ ***



Safety

↑ —
V Monitor communication channel for safety instructions. (see rule 37)

Preparatory Signals



P Preparatory signal.

↑ • ↓ —



I Rule 30.1 is in effect.

↑ • ↓ —



Z Rule 30.2 is in effect.

↑ • ↓ —



U Rule 30.3 is in effect.

↑ • ↓ —



Black flag. Rule 30.4 is in effect.

↑ • ↓ —

Recall Signals



X Individual recall.

↑ •



First Substitute

General recall. The warning signal will be made 1 minute after removal.

↑ ** ↓ •

Shortened Course



S The course has been shortened. Rule 32.2 is in effect.

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Course Change Signals



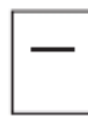
C The position of the next mark has been changed:



to starboard;



to port;



to decrease the length of the leg;



to increase the length of the leg.

Other Signals



L Ashore: A notice to competitors has been posted.

Afloat: Come within hail or follow this vessel.

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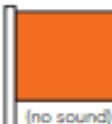


M The object displaying this signal replaces a missing mark.



Y Wear a personal flotation device. (see rule 40).

↑ •



Orange flag. The staff displaying this flag is one end of the starting line.

(no sound)



Blue flag. The staff displaying this flag is one end of the finishing line.

(no sound)

The meanings of visual and sound signals for 2021–2024 are stated above. An arrow pointing up or down (↑ ↓) means that a visual signal is displayed or removed. A dot (•) means a sound; five short dashes (-----) mean repetitive sounds; a long dash (—) means a long sound. When a visual signal is displayed over a class flag, fleet flag, event flag or race area flag, the signal applies only to that class, fleet, event or race area.