



# RACE SIGNALS

The meanings of visual and sound signals are stated below. 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.

## 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*.



↑••

**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.*



Pennant 1 ↑•• ↓•



Pennant 2 ↑•• ↓•



Pennant 3 ↑•• ↓•



Pennant 4 ↑•• ↓•



Pennant 5 ↑•• ↓•



Pennant 6 ↑•• ↓•



Pennant 7 ↑•• ↓•



Pennant 8 ↑•• ↓•



Pennant 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.

## Changing the Next Leg



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**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).



(no sound)  
**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.