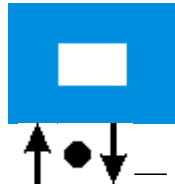


# WLYC Flag Rules – 2017

## Preparatory Signals



**P** Preparatory Signal.

## Postponement Signals



**AP** Races not started are *postponed*.

## Abandon Signals



**N** All races are *abandoned*. Return to the starting area.

## 26 STARTING RACES

Races shall be started by using the following signals. Times shall be taken from the visual signals; the absence of a sound signal shall be disregarded.

<i>Signal</i>	<i>Flag and sound</i>	<i>Minutes</i>
Warning	Class flag; 1 sound	5
Preparatory	Preparatory flag <b>P</b> ; 1 sound	4
One-minute	Preparatory flag removed; 1 long sound	1
Starting	Class flag removed; 1 sound	0

The warning signal for each succeeding class shall be made with or after the starting signal of the preceding class.

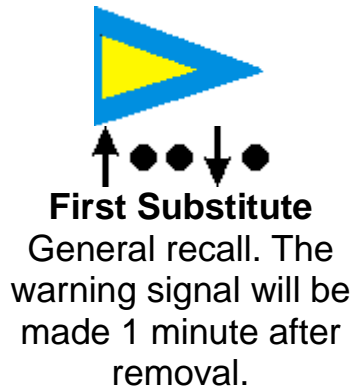
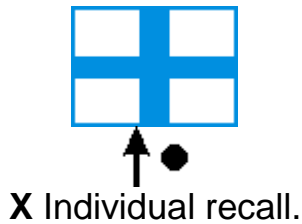
## 27 OTHER RACE COMMITTEE ACTIONS BEFORE THE STARTING SIGNAL

**27.1** No later than the **warning signal**, the race committee shall signal or otherwise designate the course to be sailed if the sailing instructions have not stated the course, and it may replace one course signal with another.

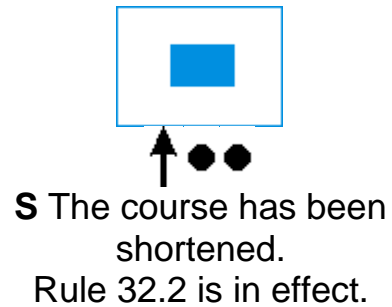
**27.2** No later than the **preparatory signal**, the race committee may move a starting *mark*.

**27.3** Before the **starting signal**, the race committee may for any reason *postpone* (display **flag AP with TWO sounds**) or *abandon* the race (display **flag N with THREE sounds**).

## Recall Signals



## Shortened course



## 29 RECALLS

### 29.1 Individual Recall

When at a boat's starting signal any part of her hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line, the race committee shall promptly display **flag X with ONE sound**. The flag shall be displayed until all such boats are completely on the pre-start side of the starting line, but no later than four minutes after the starting signal or one minute before any later starting signal, whichever is earlier.

### 29.2 General Recall

When at the starting signal the race committee is unable to identify boats that are on the course side of the starting line, or there has been an error in the starting procedure, the race committee may signal a general recall (display the **First Substitute with TWO sounds**). The warning signal for a new start for the recalled class shall be made one minute after the **First Substitute** is removed (one sound), and the starts for any succeeding classes shall follow the new start.

## 32 SHORTENING OR ABANDONING AFTER THE START

**32.1** After the starting signal, the race committee may shorten the course (display **flag S with TWO sounds**) or *abandon* the race (display **flag N with THREE sounds**).

**32.2** If the race committee signals a shortened course, the finishing line shall be,

- (a) at a rounding *mark*, between the *mark* and a staff displaying flag **S**; or
- (b) at a line the course requires boats to cross (i.e. the normal finishing line).

The shortened course shall be signaled before the first boat crosses the finishing line.