

O'PEN BIC WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS 2018

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Information to Support Personnel

SUPPORT TEAM REGULATIONS

1 General

- 1.1 These Support Team Regulations shall apply at all times while support persons are at the venue or on the field of play.
- 1.2 For the purposes of these regulations, a coach boat includes any boat that is under the control or direction of a person who is or may provide physical or advisory support to an athlete, including the gathering of data that may be used at a later time.
- 1.3 The Organizing Authority may inspect boats at any time to ensure that they comply with these regulations, and the person responsible for the boat shall facilitate such inspection.
- 1.4 An alleged breach of any of these regulations may be referred to the International Jury for a hearing. As a result of the hearing the International Jury may take action under RRS 64.4 or exclude the person from the event or venue or remove any privileges or benefits for a specified period or for the remainder of the competition. Note also, action may be taken under RRS 69.2.
- 1.5 The Organizing Authority may change these regulations at any time. Any changes will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 1.6 The Organizing Authority may, at its discretion, refuse to register coach boats not deemed to be suitable. Generally, open boats more than 4.0m and less than 7.5m in length and having minimal or no superstructure (cabin, coach house, bridge, etc.) are considered suitable.
- 1.7 All support persons shall be register at the regatta office by 18:00 on the day before the first race. Coach boats and designated drivers shall be registered at the Regatta Office either before leaving the venue by water for the first time or by 18:00 on the day before the first race of the Event that it is supporting, whichever is earlier. Support boats shall display the registration number, as provided by the Organising Authority, clearly visible.

2 General Restrictions

2.1 The registered driver(s) of a coach boat will be responsible for the control of the boat at all times and will be held responsible for any inappropriate behaviour, dangerous actions or improper practices, or actions affecting the fairness or safety of competition.









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- 2.2 Coach boats shall not leave any device, piece of equipment, buoy, marker or similar item permanently in the water. Temporary use of floating objects is allowed for current measurement. These objects shall be removed as soon as the measurement has been taken.
- 2.3 Coach boats shall take particular care to minimise their wash when transiting the course areas-

3 Support Boat Zone

- 3.1 The Support Boat Zone is defined in Appendix 1.
- 3.2 The Race Committee will establish a Support Boat Zone on any course area. The Support Boat Zone will be marked with yellow training buoys . The Support Boat Zone will be established before the orange starting line flag is displayed with one sound signal at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 3.3 A Support Boat Zone may be positioned to one side to maximise the Course Area available for racing. Support boats shall always remain on the non-course side of the support boat marks, wherever they are set.
- 3.4 When a Support Boat Zone has been established, after the first warning signal of the day, support boats shall move to the Support Boat Zone until all racing has been completed, postponed or abandoned for that Course Area, unless instructed to do otherwise by the Race Committee.
- 3.5 Between sequences of racing, or when all racing for that Course Area has been postponed or abandoned, support boats **shall not** enter the Course Area to service their athletes.
- 3.6 If the Race committee has not established a Support Boat Zone when the orange starting line flag is displayed with one sound signal at least five minutes before a warning signal is made STR 4 will apply.
- 3.7 If Flag T is displayed on the race committee boat, STR 4.4 applies.

4 Special Safety Rules

- 4.1 If no Support Boat Zone is established as in STR 3, from the time of the preparatory signal for the first fleet to start until all boats in all fleets are no longer racing, support boats shall stay outside areas where boats are racing as defined in Appendix 2 and **shall not** be:
 - 4.1.2 closer than **50m** to any boat racing;
 - 4.1.3 within **50m** to leeward of the starting line or within **50m** of its marks from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have left the starting area or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment;
 - 4.1.4 between any boat racing and the next mark of the course;
 - 4.1.5 between the inner and outer trapezoid courses when boats are racing on both courses;
 - 4.1.6 within **50m** of any mark of the course while boats are in the vicinity of that mark; and
 - 4.1.7 within **50m** of the finishing line and marks while boats are finishing.
- 4.2 Support boats should proceed around the racing area in such a way to minimise the effect their wash will have on boats racing. Boats that are motoring above five knots shall remain at least 150m from any boat racing.
- 4.3 Between sequences of races or when all racing for that Course Area has been postponed or abandoned, support boats may enter the Course Area to service their athletes, but shall restrict their speed to five knots. If further racing is to take place, support boats shall then comply with the applicable STR.
- 4.4 When the race committee displays flag T with repetitive sounds, all official and support boats shall monitor the race committee radio channel for that racing area for search and rescue instructions. Any instruction given over-ride any conflicting rules in these STR. The race committee will announce 'Flag Tango' using the designated VHF Channel.











APPENDIX 1 Windward – Leeward Course



Trapezoid Course



















