



Singapore Sailing Federation
National Sailing Centre, Singapore

REGATTA SUPPORT BOAT REGULATIONS

1. GENERAL

- 1.1 These Support Boat Regulations shall apply if stated in the NOR or SI for regatta hosted at National Sailing Centre, Singapore. For the purposes of these regulations, a support boat includes any boat that is under the control or direction of a person who is providing physical or advisory support to an athlete, including the gathering of data that may be used at a later time.
- These regulations also apply to spectator boats.
- 1.2 An alleged breach of any of these regulations may result in disqualification of the sailors being supported by that support boat.
- 1.3 The Organising Authority may also withdraw access rights to the venue and course areas from the offending party.
- 1.4 The Organising Authority may change these regulations at any time. Changes will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 1.5 The Organising Authority may, at its discretion, refuse support boats not deemed to be safe or have been warned for not abiding the regulation.
- 1.6 Support boats shall abide regulation and carry on board safety equipment as required by Maritime Port Authority for locally chartered coach boats, as detailed in their charter agreement.
- 1.7 Each boat shall be insured and have valid third-party liability insurance.
- 1.8 The person registering the support boat confirms that:
- a) The designated driver shall adhere to Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore regulations;
 - b) The designated driver has a valid PPCDL or Powerboat driving license recognized by their National Authority for foreign officials.
- 1.9 Approved life jackets/ personal flotation device shall be worn at all time, including the passengers for all powerboats.
- 1.10 All support boats driver shall personally attend daily Support Boat Safety Briefing or assign a representative. Schedule of the briefing will be stated in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instruction.
- 1.11 Sign-on forms will be available during the briefing and a Green flag identified with an alphabet letter will be issued which shall be clearly displayed whilst on water.
- 1.12 Sign-off forms will be made available at race control at the end of each race day.

2. SAFETY

- 2.1 It is strongly recommended that all support boats carry on board a VHF radio capable of receiving instruction on VHF radio channel 77. Mobile phone may be used as secondary means but must be recorded during register.
- 2.2 Driver of support boat shall attach the kill cord at all times (best to attached to the thigh) when the engine is running.



- 2.3 In adverse weather, when the Race Committee signals for sailors to be back on shore or displays flag V with repetitive sounds, all Support boats shall monitor VHF radio channel 77 and follow the PRO's instructions.
- 2.4 Proper care and due diligence shall be practiced when assisting in towing a sailor, if assigned.

3. GENERAL RESTRICTIONS

- 3.1 The registered driver(s) of a support boat shall 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 affecting the fairness or safety of competition.
- 3.2 Disposal of any kind of trash out at sea is absolutely forbidden. Trash shall be disposed off in dustbin on shore.
- 3.3 At all times, the registered driver(s) of a support boat shall comply with directions given by a Race Official. In particular, this includes assisting in rescue operations when requested to do so.

4. SUPPORT BOAT ZONE

- 4.1 Boats not displaying the Green Flag may be refused in the racecourse area. Official boat will report any infringement to the Organising Authority.
- 4.2 If racing is to take place, coach boats shall immediately move outside the racing area at the warning signal for the first race of the next racing session and remain in the Coach Boat Zone until after the starting sequence has been completed for one or more starts in a session.

(See Diagram 1 for reference)

- 4.3 During the racing session and unless otherwise instructed by the Race Committee, support boats shall not be positioned:
 - a) Closer than 50m to any boat that is racing;
 - b) To stay within coach boat zone 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;
 - c) Between any boat racing and the next mark of the course;
 - d) Between the inner and outer trapezoid courses when boats are racing on both courses;
 - e) Within 50m of any mark of the course while boats are in the vicinity of that mark; and
 - f) Within 20m of the finishing line and marks while boats are finishing.

(See Diagrams 2 for reference)

- 4.4 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.

DIAGRAM 1

COACH BOAT RESTRICTED (SHADED) DURING STARTS AND FINISHING

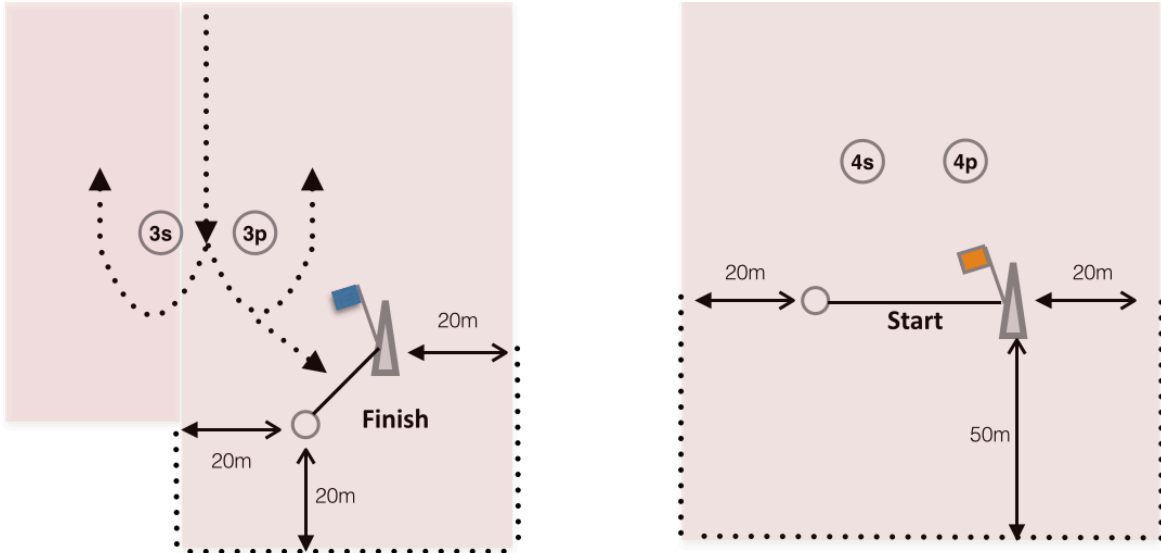


DIAGRAM 2

COACH BOAT RESTRICTED (SHADED) AREA AFTER THE STARTING SEQUENCE / DURING RACING

