

## **St. Regis Yacht Club Abandon, Postpone, Shorten Races General Policy**

The decision to race any Yacht Club Race shall remain within the authority of the Judge until one hour before the scheduled “warning signal” of the first class to start. At that time the Judge will delegate such authority to the Starter and the Committee Boat.

The Starter may **Abandon** any race at any time, which he or she thinks is in the interest of safety. The signal shall be three sounds.

The Starter may choose to **Postpone** the scheduled count down anytime before the “warning signal” to provide adequate notice to the competitors. The Committee Boat is encouraged to **Postpone** one half hour before the “warning signal”, however may do so at the Starter’s discretion anytime before the “warning signal”. The local postponement guideline will be an automatic half hour extension. The signal will be two sounds.

The Starter may **Shorten** any race before or during the race. Any shortening will also be communicated by two sounds, and verbal instructions from the Committee Boat.

(See US Sailing Rule 32 for reference.)

The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone. (See US Sailing Rule 4.)

John F. Allen, Judge

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