

Race Management 101:

The Race Committee expects the Race Managers will have a cell phone on board in case of an emergency or if VHF communication is lost with the Service Boat

Time Management of a Race

1. Note the time the Signal Boat leaves its berth. The Warning Signal cannot be displayed in less than 20 minutes from the time the Signal Boat leaves its berth.
2. Anticipate the Warning Signal time three minutes before that time and start your repeat countdown timer (your Racing Timer watch).
3. Next, set your cell phone to STOPWATCH. Doing this will allow you to track the time lapse of the various legs and time-length of the race as required by the Sailing Instructions.
4. At minus 20 seconds push the HORN BUTTON (five short bursts to sound the alert for the Warning Signal).
5. At the Warning Signal your Assistant displays the YELLOW SHAPE and you start your cell phone STOPWATCH with one hand.
6. Your Racing Timer, having been started prior to the Warning Signal, continues to monitor the pace for the balance of the race starting procedure.
7. As the first boat reaches the first mark, touch the LAP icon on your cell phone STOPWATCH and continue doing that thru out the race as the leading boat arrives at a mark. Monitor the lap times to confirm proper Sailing Instruction LAP TIMES and length-of-race. **However, for the first lap and the length-of-race time, you must deduct three minutes!**
8. After the Start, return the course board to the position used to initially set up the course. As the leading boat reaches the last point shown on the course placard, remove that placard. You should now not loose track of the race progress of the initially displayed course.

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