

IM24CA STANDARD COACH AND SUPPORT VESSEL APPENDIX C

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As per the IM24CA Constitution, Class Sanctioned Event shall mean those regattas organised, co-organised or approved by the IM24CA or in which the IM24CA sanctions the various events to form a series. In IM24CA sanctioned events, Appendix C shall be attached to Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions. In other events, the organising authorities are encouraged to use Appendix C, either partially or preferably in its entirety.

SECTION A

A1 Coach and support vessels shall register with the race office during registration. They shall declare which boat or boats they are attached to.

A2 Coach and support vessels shall display a numbered flag representing the boat to which it is attached and/or other identification symbol, as may be required by the OA.

A3 No coach or support vessel shall pass information in any way to a boat that is racing. RRS 41 (outside help) infringements of this will be taken very seriously.

A4 Coach and support vessel personnel shall not communicate with competitors (by any means) from the warning signal of the first race of the day until the competitor has finished the last race of the day. If the race committee is signalling AP over H, section A4 does not apply until further warning signal.

A5 Coach and support vessels shall not go alongside their Melges 24 boats and there shall be no transfer of any goods or equipment until after the finish of the last race of the day.

SECTION B

B1 All Melges 24 boats shall proceed to and from the racing area under their own power.

SECTION C

C1 Coach and support vessels shall keep clear of the racing area at all times during which boats are racing. Except when participating in rescue operations, coach/support vessels shall stay more than 100 meters from any point where a boat might sail during normal racing.

C2 Any coach or support vessel that interferes with another competitor or the racing in any way, including creating excess wash, or hindering an official vessel carrying out its duties, shall have the competitor(s) to which they are attached, liable to a penalty at the discretion of the jury.

C3 Any boat may protest under the rules in this attachment.

C4 The penalty given by the jury is at their discretion. (DPI)

(Racing: A boat is racing from her preparatory signal until she finishes and clears the finishing line and marks or retires, or until the race committee signals a general recall, postponement or abandonment.)

CHANGES TO THESE RULES IM24CA standard coach vessel appendix **shall not be altered**. Any changes for these rules will be the subject for decision by IM24CA Executive Committee.