

RYA GUIDANCE
JUDGING AND UMPIRING

ASHORE					
COMM'N OR OTHER ACTION	CLUB RACING	LADDER & TRAINING EVENTS	OPEN MEETING	NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP	CONTIN'L OR WORLD CHAMPS
Comm'n with Club, OA & RC	Encourage club or sailing committee to seek advice on club SIs	Encourage OA to seek advice on NoR & event SIs		Establish sensitive contact with OA to offer advice on event NoR and SIs	
		Make sure PC (or Int. Jury) decisions are notified to other officials			
Verbal Comm'n with Competitors	Through casual conversations & club training evenings. Friendly & supportive style	Event briefing at start of event & after racing debriefing	Event briefing before racing & after racing debriefing where sought	Event & morning briefings. Daily briefing for competitors &/or coaches, particularly exclusion zones & praise if good behaviour the previous day. Feedback after racing where sought, provided it is available to all. Walk the compound chatting to competitors. Questions to PC should be in writing, & answers published for the benefit of all competitors	
		Friendly & supportive style, & make yourself available			
Notices to Competitors	Through club newsletter	Via event notice board, which must be kept updated, neat and tidy			
Comm'n with Fellow Officials	Supportive & helpful	Supportive & helpful. Welcome & look after inexperienced or new colleagues Provide information on RYA Race Officials training & seminars			
Hearings	Advisory	Friendly & supportive, but professional			

AFLOAT					
COMM'N OR OTHER ACTION	CLUB RACING	LADDER & TRAINING EVENTS	OPEN MEETING	NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP	CONTIN'L OR WORLD CHAMPS
Comm'n with RO	Supportive & sensitive to keeping good relationships				
Comm'n with Safety Officials	Supportive & sensitive to keeping good relationships If appropriate, discuss how PC will approach safety-related matters				
Comm'n with Coaches & Spectators	N/A	Remind them of obligations under SIs			& insist they are honoured
Comm'n with Competitors	Supportive & helpful	Be available, but warn relevant competitors between racing if behaviour is borderline	Be available to competitors astern of committee boat between races. Explain decisions in friendly, but firm, manner. Do not get into an argument on the water		
Boat Handling	With sympathy to the competitors. Keep boat wash to a minimum				
Rule 2 Incidents	Advise competitor of what they have done & why it is undesirable				Protest
	In a friendly coaching style	Suggest competitor retires, or RO may lodge protest	Protest if they do not retire		
Possible Rule 69 Incidents	Record what you saw & write a report for PC (or Int. Jury) If necessary, refer to RYA guidance for race officials on Misconduct at www.rya.org.uk/racingrules				
Rule 42 Protests see ISAF Interpretations at www.sailing.org	Explain to competitor what they have done wrong & assist them in understanding what is legal/illegal	Protest the obvious, & discuss after the race when someone was under a yellow light	Protest as per the interpretations. If approached by competitor explain in between races or after racing. Quite often competitors react strongly if approached by Jury/PC members		
		Paperwork must refer to the interpretations			
Radio Comm'ns	Keep concise, but be available for race officials				