



REGATTA DIRECTOR NOTICE #003

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RE: Practice on 8th and 10th December

Here is the intended schedule for practice starts on Tuesday 8th and Thursday 10th December:

Tuesday 8th December

1. 1510-1540 - Emirates Team New Zealand
 - Start 1: 1520
 - Start 2: 1530
 - Start 3: 1540
2. 1550-1620 - American Magic
 - Start 1: 1600
 - Start 2: 1610
 - Start 3: 1620
3. 1630-1700 - Luna Rossa Prada Pirelli Team
 - Start 1: 1640
 - Start 2: 1650
 - Start 3: 1700
4. 1710-1740 - INEOS TEAM UK
 - Start 1: 1720
 - Start 2: 1730
 - Start 3: 1740

Thursday 10th December

1. 1510-1540 - INEOS TEAM UK
 - Start 1: 1520
 - Start 2: 1530
 - Start 3: 1540
2. 1550-1620 - Luna Rossa Prada Pirelli Team
 - Start 1: 1600
 - Start 2: 1610
 - Start 3: 1620
3. 1630-1700 - American Magic
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 - Start 2: 1650
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 - Start 3: 1740

The Race Management System (RMS) can track all the race yachts, however the UmpBot is only designed to manage one match race at a time (two yachts). Following discussions with the RMS engineers, below is the plan on how the electronic system will work for the initial two practice days:

+ As the data is not public, the Umpires will not be making UmpBot available to teams and will keep all performance data confidential.

+ The practice session will be divided into 12 races (12 practice starts) but all 4 teams will be included in each race. This will allow the boundary, marks, zones etc to be 'visible' to all teams, whether they are involved in the starting practice or sailing on the race course. The small inconvenience is that each team will see race management events (such as boundary infringement, protest button being pressed, etc.) of all other boats via the RMS.

+ Yachts may protest and umpires can assign penalties if applicable. If the umpire penalizes a yacht, the software guide for umpires to determine distance lost will not work as with 4 yachts, the system will not know which yacht to judge a penalty against.

+ The umpires are happy to communicate with yachts via radio.

+ As previously has been the practice, the umpires are happy to penalize a yacht if it is protested, but they understand that this is practice and a yacht may choose to ignore the penalty in some cases so to keep the practice beneficial.

While not a requirement, we would appreciate any advance notice on plans for a team to invite another team into their starting practice, including any agreed entry side. This allows us to pre-load the data for each practice race.

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