





ORC World Championship 2022 Porto Cervo, Italy

22 – 30 June 2022

Object:	To the attention of:		Place:	Date:	Posting time:
Notice to Competitors 16 – Q&A 10	All Competitors		Porto Cervo	29/6/2022	hrs: 0900
From: Organising Authority ()	Race Committee (_X_)	Technical Committee ()		International Jury ()	

Signed:

Q&A

QUESTION 10: From OTRA VEZ II

This event is played by the rules. Why is the most basic rule of safety not imposed? Wind was above 20 knots, not always but more than occasionally. I know the difference between true wind and apparent.

I take people out of the rail, send my tactician down to collect life vests impose the rule that a life vest needs a strap between the legs, which in practice is a safety hazard before going overboard and then I see 60 % of the crew flatly ignoring the life vest rule.

Not to mention the stupidity of not making a 3-color top light compulsory.

ANSWER 10:

Regarding a life jacket rule, this answer is for **inshore (W/L) races only.**

Per RRS 1.2: Life-Saving Equipment and Personal Flotation Devices, all boats are required to "carry adequate life-saving equipment for all persons on board, including one item ready for immediate use, unless her class rules some make other provision. Each competitor is individually responsible for wearing a personal flotation device adequate for the conditions." Beyond this rule, each owner/person-in-charge is responsible for establishing lifejacket policies for their own boat and for their own crew.

Furthermore, per RRS 40: Personal Flotation Devices, the RC has the option to display Flag Yankee to require all competitors to wear a lifejacket/personal flotation device.