

NPYC SMS 03 Crisis Management Plan

1. Whole Fleet Emergency - foul weather

- In the event of danger to life the race will be abandoned and the rescue co-ordination will be done by the Race Officer (RO).
- The Race Committee Signal Boat will remain stationary or move to a more suitable position to co-ordinate with Yacht Club base to delegate roles. It will accept sailors on board and will tie boats up behind if necessary to speed up the process of ensuring everyone is accounted for.
- Rescue boats will, in the first instance, provide support. If necessary, request further assistance. When their area is clear seek advice from RO as to which area to cover.

2. Radio Blackout

- Deal with immediate emergencies in your area and visibility.
- Consider which is the quickest way to report your situation and actions - e.g. cellphone, another boat that may have communications or go to Start Boat.
- Continue to operate as per the above routine duties and emergency instructions

3. Crewless Boat and No Orange (Crew Safe) Tape or black crayon for major events

- Immediately communicate with RO (or Shore Base if an emergency has already been declared).
- Stop and scan everywhere. Check that the sailor is not trapped under the boat or under the sail.
- Consider the line of drift (wind and tide). Scan more carefully both ways on this line.
- Search upwind over a 60° triangle from the boat to a distance at least 200m. Patrol boat crew standing if possible.
- Once other boats arrive initiate a line abreast (20mtr apart) search from 200m downwind of the boat, then proceed to windward

4. Missing sailor at the end of the day i.e. not signed back in

- Yacht Club Base checks for the boat, trolley, results list and support team ashore.
- Call on water support team to check subject boat and sailor. Shore team contact a team mate/coach
- Patrol boats Official boats and support boats asked to remain on water. Report any relevant information as to whereabouts of the subject boat/ sailor
If none: 5 min later Race Officer will call police and coastguard.

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