

PAN AMERICAN GAMES 2011

COACH BOAT REGULATIONS

1. GENERAL

- 1.1 An alleged breach of any of these regulations may be referred to the jury for a hearing. As a result of the hearing, the jury may instruct the organizing authority to withdraw accreditation and access rights to the regatta venue and the course areas from the offending party without the option of replacement during the regatta. Note also racing rule 69.2(a) as it relates to 'other person involved'.
- 1.2 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel are reminded that a competing boat will be disqualified for receiving help in breach of racing rule 41, Outside Help.
- 1.3 The organizing authority may change these regulations at any time. Changes will be posted on the official notice board and circulated to the team leaders.
- 1.4 The organizing authority may, at its discretion, refuse coach boats not deemed to be suitable. Generally, open boats with more than 4 metres and less than 7.5 metres in length and having minimum or no superstructure (cabin, coach house, bridge, etc.) are considered suitable.
- 1.5 No item carried on board a support boat shall protrude over the stern, bow or sides of the boat.
- 1.6 Support boats shall be registered at the Race Office no later than 09:00 hours on Friday October 14th, 2011

Support boats will fly the national flag of the coaches' MNA at all times while on the water. These flags shall be provided by the MNA's and will be approximately 12in x 12in or 30cm x 30 cms. Additionally she shall display bow numbers, which will be provided by the Organizing Authority.
- 1.7 Coach boats are only permitted to carry accredited personnel.
- 1.8 When not in use, coach boats shall be berthed in their allocated places.
- 1.9 Coach boats shall not use the dinghy launching ramps for any purpose, including mooring, and loading and unloading of equipment, except launching and retrieval of the boat.

2. COMPETITION

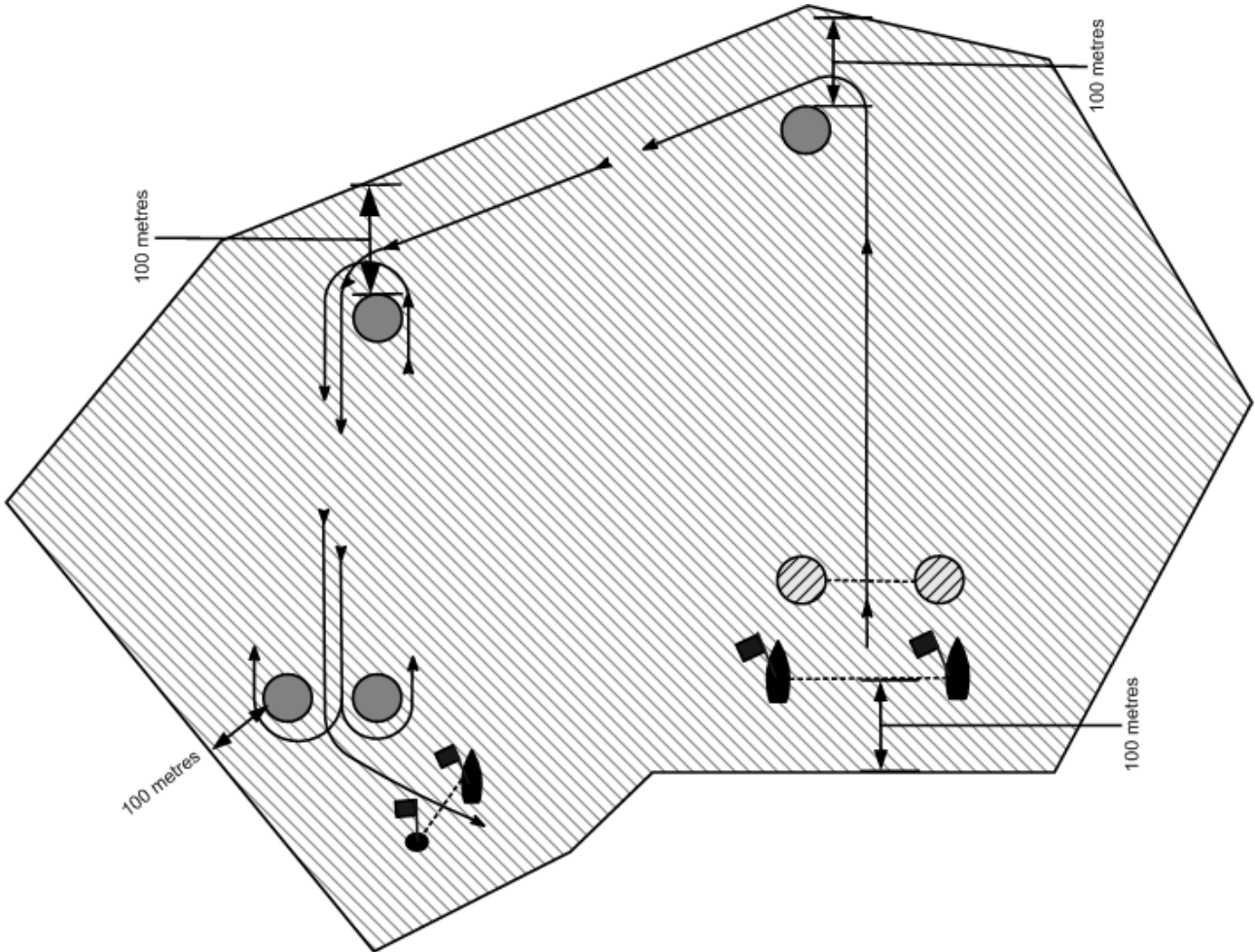
- 2.1 The registered driver(s) of a support boat will be responsible for the control of the boat at all times and will be held responsible for any inappropriate behaviour, dangerous actions or improper practices affecting the fairness of competition.
- 2.2 Coach boats shall not leave any device, piece of equipment, buoy, marker or similar item permanently in the water. Temporary use of floating objects is allowed for current measurement. These objects shall be removed as soon as the measurement has been taken. In case this regulation is broken, and in addition to any penalty, any item left in the water may be removed.

- 2.3 At all times the registered driver(s) of a support boat shall comply with directions given by the race committee. In particular this includes assisting with rescues when requested to do so.
- 2.4 Support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first fleet to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. Such areas are defined as follows: not closer than 100 metres to any boat racing (except a boat in distress requiring assistance) or to a mark, layline or rhumbline, and inside the course trapezoid. Until the starting signal coach boats shall be at least 100 metres below the starting line or its extensions. See diagrams below.
- 2.5 Between sequences of races or when all racing for that course area has been postponed or abandoned, coach boats may enter the racing area to service their athletes.
- 2.6 Coach boats should proceed around the race area in a way to minimise the effect of their wake will have on boats racing.

3. SAFETY

- 3.1 Coach boats shall be insured with valid third-party insurance
- 3.2 Coach boats shall carry on board:
 - Life jackets/buoyancy aid for all passengers and the driver.
 - First Aid Kit.
 - Adequate anchor and tackle for conditions and depth.
 - Tow rope (minimum 15m long and 10mm thick).
 - Engine stop operational and deployable by Kill cord
 - Knife
- 3.3 Never exceed maximum plated/certified passenger limits
- 3.4 It is strongly recommended that the Kill Cord shall be worn at all times while motoring.

Prohibited area for trapezoid course



Prohibited area for windward/leeward course

