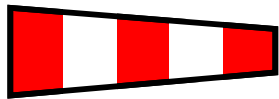


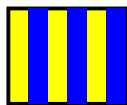
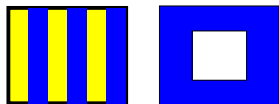
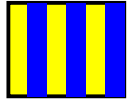
# Flag and Sound Signals for Starting Races and Shortening Course

## Postponement Sequence

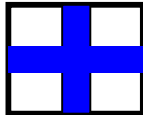
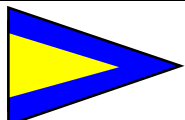
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Time	Signal	Action	Toots	Flags Showing
When needed	<b>Postponement</b> All starts are postponed for an unspecified time	<b>AP raised</b> (Answering Pennant)	2	
Start - 6	<b>End of Postponement</b> Warning signal one minute later	<b>AP lowered</b>	1	No flags showing

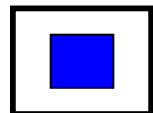

## Normal Starting Sequence Commences here

Start - 5 (5 minutes before start)	<b>Warning signal</b> Make sure you know the warning flag for your race - G is shown here	<b>Warning flag raised</b>	1	
Start - 4	<b>Preparatory signal</b> Racing rules now in force	<b>P flag raised</b>	1	
Start - 1	<b>One minute signal</b> Check your watch !	<b>P flag lowered</b>	1	
<b>Start</b>	<b>Starting signal</b>	<b>Warning flag lowered</b>	1	No flags showing * * But note: If another race is starting 5 minutes later, then the new warning flag will be raised at this start

## Recall Sequences

Promptly after start (if needed)	<b>Individual Recall</b> One or more boats were on the course side of the line (OCS) and must return	<b>X flag raised</b>	1	
When all boats have started correctly, or 4 minutes after the start if sooner		<b>X flag lowered</b>	0	No flags showing
Soon after start (if needed)	<b>General Recall</b> The whole fleet is recalled for a new start	<b>1st Sub raised</b> (1st Substitute)	2	
Start - 6	<b>End of General Recall</b> Warning signal one minute later	<b>1st Sub lowered</b>	1	No flags showing

## Course Shortening

When needed	<b>Course Shortened</b> Leading boat to finish at end of current lap	<b>S flag raised</b> Remains displayed until all boats have finished	2	
When needed	<b>Course Shortened for slow handicap boats</b> Leading slow h'cap boat finishes at end of current lap	<b>D flag raised</b> Remains displayed until all boats have finished	2	 Note: this is a special Tudor SC signal