

## The Starting Sequence with times outlined for the Wed Night Series

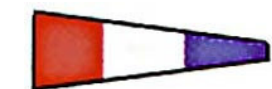
Have the #1 Class Flag, the “P” Flag, the “AP” Pennant, the “X” Flag and 1<sup>st</sup> Substitute Pennant ready. Get out the air horn and give it a shake it to be sure it is full...Change canisters if necessary. Do not test the horn while in the Starting Area. Think ahead as to where you will set the various flags while they remain up.

**Action and sound should coincide and occur at the exact time called for**

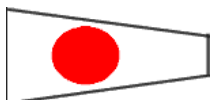
- 6:29:00** (Or as close to 6:29 as possible) Lower the #3 (Check-in) Flag\* with one sound signal. Be sure to have the #1 Class Flag ready
- 6:30:00** (Or exactly 1 minute later) Raise the #1 (Class) Flag with one sound signal. Set the pole in a holder – this flag will remain up for 5 minutes. Be sure to have the “P” flag ready.
- 6:31:00** (Or exactly 1 minute later) Raise the “P” Flag with one sound signal. Set the pole in another holder – this flag will remain up for 3 minutes. Then take this time to get the “X” Flag and the 1<sup>st</sup> Substitute Pennants ready.
- 6:34:00** (Or exactly 3 minutes later) Lower the “P” Flag with one LONG sound signal.
- 6:35:00** (Or exactly 1 minute later) Sighting down the starting line between the “RC” Flagpole and the pin and with the “X” and 1<sup>st</sup> Substitute Flags at the ready, lower the Class Flag with one sound signal to start the race.

Keep watch for those over the line early and use the “X” Flag (Individual Recall) with one sound signal or the 1<sup>st</sup> Substitute Pennant (General Recall) with two sound signals accordingly and as outlined in the Race Signals Flag Guide.

**\*\* Be absolutely sure to note the correct starting time \*\***



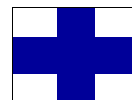
#3 / Check-in Flag



#1 / Class Flag



“P” Flag



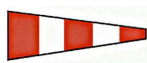
“X” Flag



1<sup>st</sup> Substitute

\*(or other applicable flag being used – AP, 1<sup>st</sup> Substitute, or N)

### **The “AP” or Answering Pennant**



If there is no or very little breeze, or any other reason to postpone the start before the actual sequence has begun, lower the #3/Check-in flag with one sound signal at 6:29 then exactly one minute later at 6:30, raise the Answering Pennant with two sound signals. This puts you into postponement. Deal with your issue or wait for up to 30 minutes for the wind to fill in then begin your sequence as outlined above, substituting the Answering Pennant for the #3/Check-in flag, or if there is no wind, abandon the race by raising the “N” over “A” flags with three sound signals

Also, at any time during the starting sequence you feel a need to stop everything, take a breath and start over, you may raise the “AP Pennant” with two sound signals. This is your “Time Out” or “Do-over” flag and brings everything to a screeching halt. Gather yourself, deal with whatever situation caused you to postpone, and then start your sequence again, substituting the “AP” flag for the #3/Check-in flag.