

Umpires Question and Answer #14

These questions are in relation to Match Racing in AC35.

Question A

What is the umpire procedure when the data supplied to the umpires in RO Comms (f) fails?

Answer A

When the booth umpires determine that the RO Comms are not operating correctly, the Chief Umpire will inform the on-the-water umpires that communications for the match will be made in accordance with RO Comms (d) and (g). Once the RO Comms are operating correctly, the Chief Umpire will inform the on-the-water umpires that RO Comms will return to the booth.

Question B

During an incident, Blue breaks a rule that results in a crew member from Yellow falling overboard. What action will the umpires take?

Answer B

When the umpires are certain that the reason for the crew member from Yellow falling overboard was due to the actions of the Blue yacht, and that Blue has gained an advantage by breaking a rule after allowing for a penalty, the umpires will disqualify Blue under rule 44.1(c).