

**Umpires Question and Answer #17** Updated 04 June 2017

**Question A**

What actions will the umpires take in the following situations after one yacht starts:

- i) The other yacht retires.
- ii) The other yacht receives outside assistance beyond that permitted under rule 41.
- iii) The other yacht does not come to the race area.
- iv) The other yacht does not start.
- v) The other yacht is clearly damaged but continues racing.

**Answer A**

- i) In a Match Race of the Louis Vuitton America's Cup Qualifiers and the Louis Vuitton America's Cup Challenger Playoffs the umpires will signal that the other yacht is disqualified and the match is awarded to the yacht that started.
- ii) The umpires will signal that the other yacht is disqualified and the match is awarded to the yacht that started.
- iii) In a Match Race of the Louis Vuitton America's Cup Qualifiers and the Louis Vuitton America's Cup Challenger Playoffs the umpires will signal that the other yacht is disqualified and the match is awarded to the yacht that started.
- iv) In a Match Race of the Louis Vuitton America's Cup Qualifiers and the Louis Vuitton America's Cup Challenger Playoffs when the umpires are satisfied that the other yacht will not finish they will signal that she is disqualified and the match is awarded to the yacht that started.
- v) The umpires will take no action.