

Submission: **SR12-07**

Offshore Special Regulations - 4.28.2 and 4.28.3

Man Overboard Alarm

A submission from US SAILING

Proposal:

Add new recommendation 4.28.2 and new requirement 4.28.3

4.28	Man Overboard Alarm	MoMu0
4.28.1	Each yacht shall be equipped with a man overboard alarm including an emergency button immediately accessible to a helmsman which will sound an audible alarm in the accommodation and simultaneously send an appropriate signal to the ship's navigational software	MoMu0
4.28.2	<u>A yacht is recommended to be equipped with an EPFS (e.g. GPS) capable of immediately recording a man overboard position from each helm station</u>	<u>MoMu 1, 2</u>
4.28.3	<u>A yacht shall be equipped with an EPFS (e.g. GPS) capable of immediately recording a man overboard position from each helm station (From January 2012)</u>	<u>MoMu 1, 2</u>

Current Position:

N/A

Reason:

Many GPS's have a "MOB" button today, but it can take too long for a crewman to run below to press the button when somebody falls over. Very few GPS's today have a simple "contact-closure" input to allow a simple pushbutton to be installed remotely to trigger the "MOB" function. The statement of the intention to require such a function in 2012 will provide an incentive for GPS manufacturers to offer such a feature in upcoming products in order to gain the marketing advantage that their GPS meets future requirements.