Racing Rules of Sailing

Rule 45

A submission from the Royal Yachting Association

Proposal

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Clean copy of above proposal:

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Current Position

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Reason

The current rule uses one set of words for the requirement at the boat's preparatory signal and different words in the second sentence for the requirements thereafter. This proposal provides consistency with no intention to change the requirement.