Racing Rules of Sailing

Rule C7.4(c)

A submission from the Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee

Proposal

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(c) The umpire boat for each match shall display blue or yellow flags or shapes, each flag or shape indicating one outstanding penalty. When a boat has taken a penalty, or a penalty has been cancelled, one flag or shape shall be removed, with the appropriate sound signal. Failure of the umpires to display or remove flags or shapes signal correctly shall not change the number of penalties outstanding.

Current Position

As above.

Reason

To clarify that a penalty taken neither depends on the display of the signal on the umpire boat nor the accompanying sound signal.