

SUPPORT BOAT REGULATIONS

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Support Boats shall carry the following Equipment on board

- Life jackets / buoyance aids for the driver and all passengers,
- Engine kill cord (also known as a safety lanyard or automatic engine immobiliser) with a spare kill cord on the support boat
- VHF radio capable of receiving instruction from Safety or Race Committee
- First-aid kit
- Device for making a sound signal
- Compass
- Adequate anchor and tackle for conditions and depth
- Tow rope (minimum 15m long and 10mm thick)
- Knife

Support Boat Regulations

- Support Boats shall be registered with the Organising Authority and shall be marked with their applicable national sail letters clearly displayed, the minimum height for these letters is 200mm.
- Support Boats shall comply with all local regulations
- Support Boats shall follow Race Committee instructions on the designated VHF channel
- Kill cords shall be worn at all times when the engine is running
- Life jackets / buoyance aids - it is recommended that they are worn at all times when afloat and **shall** be worn in winds of over 10 knots
- Support boats shall not be positioned,
 - Closer than 50 metres of any boat racing
 - Within 50 metres of the starting line from the warning signal until all boats have left the starting area or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment
 - Within 50 metres of any mark of the course while boats are in the vicinity of that mark
 - Within 50 metres of the finishing line while boats are finishing
 - In addition, support boats that are motoring above 5 knots shall remain at least 150 metres from any boat racing