

Q&A's to the Protest Committee - St. Barth's Bucket 2026

Q1-When does the starting area referred to in SI 13.8 come into effect?

A1 -At the Warning signal of first starter of the pursuit fleet (11.25) but please keep clear of the 100Maxis for their start at (11.15)

Q2- Is it possible to ping the start line when the starting area for the pursuit fleet is in effect.

A2 - Only if you are within 5 minutes of your start and therefore allowed to be in the starting area.

(On Trac Trac you can get real time updates of the Lat/Long of the starting marks)

Q3-If a boat has crossed the line from the pre course side within 3 minutes of their start can the RC inform them?

A3 -Yes, but the RC have plenty on, and failure to do so will not be grounds for redress.

Q4- When does the penalty for being OCS apply?

A4-It applies from 3 minutes before your start if you cross the line from the pre course side.

Q5- If Boat A is overtaking Boat B on the leeward side and Boat A's proper course is a higher angle than Boat B's . What action should the Boat B take when he is overlapped?

A5- Before Boat A can get within 40 meters, Boat B will have to tack to keep clear.

Q6- If Boat A is overtaking Boat B on her windward side and Boat A's proper course is a lower angle than Boat B's. What action should the Boat B take when he is overlapped?

A6- No action , Boat B must maintain her proper course because she is being overtaken. Boat A will have to tack away before he gets to within 40 meters.

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