

# RACE SCORING ABBREVIATIONS

Rev 2021 - (See Appendix A of the *Racing Rules of Sailing* for the full list)

## **DNC** Did Not Come to the starting area

Did not turn up, or turned up but did not launch, ie took no part in the race.

## **DNS** Did Not Start

Signed on, launched and “came to the starting area”, but did not start.

## **DNF** Did Not Finish

Due to, for example, gear failure, being rescued, or having lost interest.

## **NSC** did Not Sail the Course (new for 2021)

Did not sail the correct course. (The Race Officer no longer needs to lodge a protest against the boat; the boat can of course claim redress if she disputes the score).

## **RET** Retired

The boat tells the Race Officer that they have retired. For example, a boat that finished the race but subsequently acknowledged an error of some sort; eg sailing the wrong course or a right of way infringement. The boat may have been protested (by another boat or the Race Officer) and, rather than have a protest hearing, the boat admits being in the wrong and retires from the race.

## **OCS** On Course Side at the starting signal and failed to start correctly

(Note: this code is also assigned for breaking the I-flag rule (30.1) at the start, but this rule is not used at starts from the club line).

## **DSQ** Disqualified

This code can only be assigned as the result of a Protest Hearing. It cannot be given by the Race Officer acting alone.

## **RDG** Redress Given

This code can only be given following a hearing.

## **DUTY** Race Duty Average Points (Tudor SC specific)

When a competitor in a series performs Race Officer or Patrol Boat duty for a race in the series this code means that they will be awarded average points in this race (based on their other races).

### Examples of Particular Instances.

A boat signs on but does not launch (maybe because of gear failure or deciding it's too windy). This boat has not taken part in the race and should not appear in the results for that race. It is not a DNS. In the overall series results the code will be DNC (this distinction can be important in a series when the scores for DNS and DNC will be different.)

A boat signs on, launches and “comes to the starting area”, but does not start. This could be due to gear failure, because they changed their mind and came back in, or they may have gone the wrong side of a starting mark (unlikely for a club line start but could be done). The code for this is DNS.

The Race Officer or Patrol Boat sees a boat infringe a rule. The RO cannot apply the code DSQ – only a Protest Committee can do this. The correct course of action is to inform the boat that you (the RO) are protesting them. In the case that the boat disputes the infringement then a protest hearing will be required. On the other hand, the boat concerned may admit to the error and retire from the race in which case that will be the end of the matter – the code for this being RET.