



Emergency Action Plan for Club Racing

This document outlines OIYC club racing procedures in the case of an emergency. Race Committee and competitors should be familiar with these processes *before* going out on the water. And please, **always wear a life vest.**

In the case of an emergency:

- Race committee to **terminate or cancel racing** by announcing on VHF channel 68 (or otherwise designated racing channel). Advise boats to remain clear of the incident and to keep channel open for emergency coordination with other boats on the water.
- Identify a person to **call 911** and coordinate with emergency personnel.
- Choose an appropriate boat to **transport victim(s) to shore**. This may be a power boat used for race committee or a sailboat with an engine immediately ready to use. If no appropriate boat is available or the incident requires on-water response, advise 911 that the Sheriff boat is required.
- In addition to skipper, bring **one person to attend to victim** and one person to direct emergency personnel from road to victim.
- Use the **yellow zone on the NE side of the OIYC dock**, which is reserved for club use. Alternatively, the fuel dock at West Sound Marina may be used.
- If off-island transport is needed, the San Juan County Sheriff boat or an air ambulance (coordinated through 911 and Orcas Fire) are preferred options. Private power boats may also be volunteered.
- **Document the incident** and witnesses as appropriate. Provide an incident report to the OIYC Fleet Captain Sail and OIYC Commodore, particularly if there is any possibility of OIYC liability.