

APPENDIX U

AUDIBLE-SIGNAL RACING SYSTEM

This appendix is a US Sailing prescription.

US Sailing prescribes that when the sailing instructions so state the Audible-Signal Racing System described below shall be used. It is recommended primarily for small-boat racing or when race committee resources are limited. Rules in this appendix replace rule 26 and permit changes to Race Signals and the corresponding rules in Part 3.

U1 Any Race Signal may be made by hailing, in which case the corresponding visual signal may also be used, but not its designated sound signal.

U2 A series of short sounds may be made at any time to call attention to a hail or a visual signal.

U3 The starting sequence shall consist of the following sound signals made at the indicated times. These signals shall be timed from their commencement and shall govern, even if visual signals are also used.

<i>Signal</i>	<i>Sound</i>	<i>Time before start</i>
Attention	Series of short sounds	Before the warning
Warning	3 long	3 minutes
Preparatory	2 long	2 minutes
	1 long, 3 short	1 minute, 30 seconds
	1 long	1 minute
	3 short	30 seconds
	2 short	20 seconds
	1 short	10 seconds
	5 short, 1 second apart	5 – 4 – 3 – 2 – 1 seconds
Starting	1 long	0

U4 Individual recalls shall be signalled by hailing the sail number (or other distinguishing feature) of each recalled boat. Flag X need not be displayed.

U5 Failure to hear an adequate hail or sound signal shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1.