

2009 BULLSHIP
Official Supplemental Starting Instructions

For those that may have forgotten, those that are Maiden/Virgin starters, those that are accustomed to 3 & 5 min starts, and to remind everyone;

The Bullship is the oldest El Toro Race for the class. In keeping with the tradition of The Bullship:

The Bullship starting sequence uses a “traditional old style” 10 minute starting sequence.

08:50 WHITE warning flag and "I" (yellow flag with Black circle insert) flag up. One shotgun

08:54 WHITE flag down. NO sound

08:55 BLUE preparatory flag up. One shotgun

08:59 BLUE flag down. "I" flag (yellow flag with Black circle insert) down (Visual ID of boats over begins**) One long horn signal

09:00 RED start flag up. One shotgun

**In the event that a yacht is fully or partially over the start line within the last minute (over early), that yacht must round the end of the starting line without interfering with legally starting yachts.

There will be one long horn and “X” code flag (White square flag with blue cross) raised to indicate any over early violations. When all over early yachts have port rounded the starting boat, cleared and “started” the “X” code flag (White square flag with blue cross) will be lowered. The only official notice of over early will be the “X” code flag (White square flag with blue cross).

Any yacht that has not “STARTED” within 20 min will be disqualified.

OVER EARLY WILL BE ENFORCED!

(If you think you may have been over early and the “X” code flag (White square flag with blue cross) is up, you probably were, and you have 20 min to port round the start boat or you will be disqualified.)