

# 2026 ORC World Championship

## Question for Officials

Date: 2026-05-11

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**Question No: 15**

**Question For: Race Committee**

**Question:**

Can the chase boat take from its yacht food and bags when there are more than 45 minutes missing before the first warning signal of the day?

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**Answer:**

Please read SI 21  
21 SUPPORT VESSELS

21.1 See the NoR 13.

21.2 Windward-Leeward races: Except in an emergency, support vessels shall remain at least 150m away from any boat from 45 minutes before the first scheduled warning signal until all boats have finished racing or retired. Support vessels shall remain 150m to leeward of the starting line and starting line extensions until after all starts on the course area for that race.

21.3 Coastal and offshore races: Except in an emergency, support vessels shall remain at least 150m away from any boat from 45 minutes before the first scheduled warning signal until the boat(s) it is registered to and supporting have finished racing or retired. From the first warning signal, support vessels shall remain 150m on the non-course side of the starting line and starting line extensions until after all starts.

21.4 On days with multiple races, a boat shall not transfer equipment, spares, support personnel, food or water between races. It is intended that each boat should be self-sufficient.

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