



# 43 Copa del Rey MAPFRE - ORC European Championship

## Question for Officials

**Date: 2025-07-27**

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**Question No: 15**

**Question For: Race Committee**

**Question:**

Sailing Instructions, Appendix 5 says the backstay flags must be flown from the backstay, and failure to do so can have a 5 point penalty applied.

We have no standing backstay, only top mast runners with deflectors. Flying these flags on the runners when eased (leeward runner) with deflectors pulled on could have the flags tangle with the mainsheet and outhaul creating a safety concern.

Can we fly the flags on the centre pushpit instead, as typically done in other events?

Regards  
Ross Vickers  
Navigator  
Musica.

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**Answer:**

Yes it is authorized

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*Response By Rocio Lozano Printed at 2025-07-31 14:59*