



2026 WASZP Games

Question for Officials

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Hi All,

Double check about UFD.

If the vakaros show that the sailor is UFD, he/she should retire from the race immediately or they can keep competing and finish the race?

Thanks.

Answer:

1. There is no specific rule stating that boats shall retire from the race if the vakaros unit states that they are UFD.
2. HOWEVER, we wish to draw your attention to Case 65 (in the 2025-2028 case book). Please read the facts and the answer in full, but the abstract states:

"When a boat knows that she has broken the Black Flag rule, she is obliged to retire promptly. When she does not do so and then deliberately hinders another boat in the race, she commits a breach of sportsmanship and of rule 2, and her helmsman commits an act of misconduct."
