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Situation

On the last day of a regatta there was no wind and the race committee displayed flag AP ashore waiting for wind to fill in. No wind developed, and the race committee later displayed N over A ashore. The sailing instructions did not change the meaning of any flags in Race Signals.

Question 1

Was displaying N over A a proper action as a replacement for flag AP on the last day of the regatta, thereby indicating the end of the regatta?

Answer 1

Yes.

Question 2

Would it be better to use AP over A when no race had started that day?

Answer 2

Either signal makes clear the intention of the race committee however, N over A is clearer as it was the last day of the regatta, sailing the races at a later day was not an option.

Question 3

Imagining a race had started and finished, would N over A ashore abandon the race sailed that day or even on all days of the regatta?

Answer 3

No. N over A, whether displayed afloat or ashore, does not apply to completed races.