



ORC-D Fleet Five-Band Wind Speed Procedures

1. The race committee (RC) will monitor the wind in the race area at regular intervals for the 10-minute period before the fleet’s warning signal.
2. The RC will select the wind band for each race based on the average observed wind speed during the sampling period:

5-Band WS %	6	8	10	12	14	16	20	24	TWS Avg
TWS	6	8	10	12	14	16	20	24	TWS Avg
Low	77.3	22.7	0	0	0	0	0	0	6.454
Low/Med	14.7	35.3	35.3	14.7	0	0	0	0	9
Med	0	7.7	19.2	46.2	19.2	7.7	0	0	12
Med/High	0	0	0	7.7	19.2	55.8	17.3	0	16
High	0	0	0	0	0	17.3	65.4	17.3	20

3. The RC will announce the wind band before or with the fleet’s warning signal.
4. The RC will monitor the wind during the race. If a sustained change in velocity makes it necessary to change the wind band, the RC will announce the change before the first boat finishes.
5. Per the Sailing Instructions, the RC’s choice of wind band or course is not grounds for redress.

Additional Resources:

ORC Scoring Option USA and CAN 2024:
<https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/2024-USA-CAN-Scoring-options.pdf>

US Sailing ORC page: <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/offshore/orc/>