

## **Race-day Checklist**

## On Shore

- 1. Course chart
- 2. Paddle, anchor, life jacket
- 3. Stop watch
- 4. Protest flag
- 5. Check tide tables
- 6. Check official notice board

## **Before 10 Minute Signal**

- 1. Sail upwind to check adjustments:
  - a. Mast bend sideways, fore & aft
  - b. Outhaul
  - c. Downhaul (main & jib)
  - d. Jib leads and trim
- 2. Sail one weather leg before starting:
  - a. Check for wind shifts in wind bends
  - b. Look for flags that might help in finding wind shifts
  - c. Determine current in racing area

## Inside 10 Minute Sequence

- 1. Find windward mark
- 2. Check for kelp or weed on rudder & board
- 3. Find favored end of line
- 4. Decide favored tack at start
- 5. Check all adjustments one more time. (Better to be a little loose than too tight on cunningham and jib cloth.)
- 6. Sail by Race Committee boat for five minute signal
- 7. Check course
- 8. Recheck starting line and wind direction
- 9. Estimate aggressiveness of fleet
- 10. Check rudder and board again for kelp or weed
- 11. Start first and stay first