Communication Chart for 4

WHO says WHAT, WHEN…

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(the Jib trimmer is the “4th person” in these notes)

**Forward** (Bow)

**Middle** (Tactician)

**Driver**

**Before Warning Signal**

input

time to enter (subtract 4 from time to start)

Gameplan (Right or Left)

Likely First Move

**In Last Minute before Entering…**

TIME (every 5 seconds to 0:30; then every second to entry)

reminder of likely first move

**After Entering…**

Are we / they (Blue) crossing? Say when WE have fully entered what will happen:

Relative boat speeds? Display Y flag whenever appropriate (cross, Dial Up, etc.)

Whether to Slow

**Dial Up**

Did Blue get to close-hauled???

our speed / direction through the water which tack to sail on…

in second DU, where we are relative to jib; or say “right” or “left”

**Middle Section**

TIME (every 15-30 seconds and after each major maneuver)

reminder of Plan (Right or Left) what will happen (circle, extend, lead, etc.)

Where we are relative to Boat and Pin layline

Time back to Middle of line (or the end you are starting at)

Changes in Pressure / Shifts

**Final Approach**

TIME (final minute) - every 5 seconds to 0:30; then every second to GO Time to Burn (jib trimmer can help) what will happen…

Distance from Boat and Pin laylines speed or slow

Distance to line

Where we are relative to center of line

Can we start on port yet?

At ~1:00, reminder of Plan (Right or Left)

Are they “locked”?

Can they start on port?
Off the Line  (Jib trimmer…how far out from max after tack; talk it in to max trim)

speed / height reports – constant
(with net gain / loss comment)
keep mode or change?

nearby Pressure changes
(puff in 5, etc.)
Shifts

On the Beat

Where we are relative to Center speed reports
Which side we like if they tack…
Time to nearer layline if ahead: if they tack, we…
Call 90 degrees on each hunt where are they relative to layline

Nearing Top Mark

What side of run do we type of set:
type of set
like initially (bear away, bear away and Top Mark Meet?)
(based on course axis and breeze) immediate gybe, or gybe set)
time to layline; count down
from 1:00 “Top Mark Meet” – if close
count down to hoist

On the Run  (Jib trimmer*…speed reports (height & speed); location of apparent wind (theirs and ours))

Flies Y flag…

Wind pressure / shifts angle of boat relative to pressure on sheet if they gybe, we…
what will happen???

Where are we relative to Center
Time to nearer layline
Jib Up? Pole Down?

Nearing Bottom Mark

*Jib trimmer – in “shitfight” -
Initial thoughts for beat
watch layline for jib up, etc.

what will happen
Likely drop scenario
(default is starboard side)
Display Y flag if needed
Countdown to drop
Countdown to gybe/turn