

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

Races will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of US SAILING, the Racing Rules of the BBYRA and by these Sailing Instructions.

2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the vicinity of the registration desk at the regatta headquarters.

3. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted at least one hour prior to the scheduled AM or PM Warning Signal.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed at the regatta headquarters.

5. ACCOUNTABILITY

5.1 Changes of registered skipper or sail number must be submitted in writing at the registration desk or late entry boat.

5.2 Boats intending to race should pass close by the late entry boat, hail class and sail number, and receive acknowledgement. Onus for being counted as a starter rests with each boat. Any registered boat sailing in the starting area between her preparatory and starting signals will be considered a starter.

5.3 The committee will endeavor to account for all entered boats. If a boat does not start or fails to finish, the skipper shall report to the Regatta Committee or Patrol Boat flying a numbered patrol flag before leaving the course. Any boat withdrawing from the race without prompt notice may be disqualified for the next two races.

6. CLASS SIGNALS AND STARTING TIMES

See inside

7. THE COURSE

7.1 The course chart shows the approximate location of marks, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

7.2 The Class designation and number of course to be sailed by that Class will be displayed, contrary to RRS 27.1, at its Preparatory Signal and remain until its starting signal.

7.3 The Race Committee may signal a windward-leeward course by display of "W" followed by a numeral indicating the number of laps. Rounding marks will be special yellow inflatables. All marks will be left to port. The finish will be at or in the vicinity of the windward mark following the indicated number of laps unless a change of course is signaled.

7.4 The Race Committee may elect to establish a special turning marker for the "E" Sloop Class near the final turning marker of the course. In such case this marker will be an orange cylinder carrying flag E.

7.5 Any special course will be posted on the Official Notice Board at least one hour prior to the scheduled Warning Signal.

8. MARKS

Marks will be drums painted orange and white with identifying letters painted in black, except as noted.

9. THE START

9.1 Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26, System 2 with classes starting at intervals and in the order shown under Class Signals and Starting Times.

9.2(a) The starting line for the "E" Sloop, Laser, Laser Radial, Flying Scot, and Sanderling Classes will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat at the starboard end and an orange cylinder with the letter "L" painted on the side at the port end. A midline marker, which will be an orange ball, may be placed as a reference only. It is not a mark of the course and may not be exactly on the line.

9.2(b) The starting line for all other classes will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat at the starboard end and an orange ball at the port end.

9.3 An orange ball attached to the Committee Boat is considered a part of the mark.

9.4 Boats sailing on a leg of the course may not cross the start or finish line except to start or finish.

9.5 A boat shall not start later than four minutes after her starting signal.

10. RECALLS

10.1 Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.2. In addition, the Race Committee may attempt to hail each boat that has not started correctly. Failure to make or hear such hail will not be grounds for redress.

10.2 Modifying RRS 29.3, a general recall will be signaled by display of the first substitute over a blue shape (preparatory signal) with a sound signal. Means: "The class is recalled for a new start. This signal will be lowered four minutes after the aborted start with a sound signal. This will be one minute before the restart signal".

10.3 When a general recall has been signaled, starts for the succeeding classes will be postponed accordingly.

11. THE FINISH

11.1 The Race Committee will attempt to establish a windward finish for the first class to finish. Failure to do so will not be grounds for redress.

11.2 The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat and an orange cylinder with an "L" painted on the side, except as indicated in par. 7.3.

12. TIME LIMIT

The time limit will be 2 1/2 hours for AM classes and 3 hours for PM classes. A boat finishing more than 30 minutes after the first boat of her class finishes or after the time limit, whichever is later, will be scored "Did not finish".

13. PROTESTS

13.1 The BBYRA prescribes the following modification of RRS 61.1: A protesting boat must fly flag "B" or a red rectangular flag no smaller than 6 inches by 8 inches in order to signify her intent to protest.

13.2 Protests shall be written on forms available at the regatta headquarters or line boat and lodged in accordance with RRS 61.3,

13.3 Protests not disposed of on a race day will be heard at Regatta Headquarters commencing at 0730 on the next scheduled race day.

14. PENALTIES

14.1 The 720 Degree Turns Penalty, RRS 44.2 will apply with the additional provision that when a boat breaks a rule with spinnaker drawing, drops it completely while taking her penalty and resets it and has it drawing after the penalty, the penalty is one full turn or 360 degrees instead of two full turns.

14.2 Notwithstanding paragraph 14.1, a boat may elect to accept a Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3.

14.3 All alternative penalties taken shall be reported to the Regatta Committee immediately after finishing.

15. SAFETY

15.1 All Junior Class Competitors (Junior Laser & Blue Jay) shall wear life jackets or other adequate personal buoyancy as specified in Rules 1.2 and 40 at all times while racing.

15.2 "E" sloops shall deploy mainsail flotation at all times while racing.

15.3 Safety inspections will be conducted at the discretion of the committee. Flag "L" and a class signal displayed at the finish line will indicate a mandatory inspection. Boats are required to respond by checking in with a safety patrol boat flying flag "L" and the class signal while laying at anchor to windward of the finish line. All boats must be acknowledged.

16. POSTPONEMENT SIGNAL ("AP", Answering Pennant)

Modifying Race Signals, this signal made before 1:15 PM does not refer to afternoon races.

17. COME WITHIN HAIL SIGNAL (Flag "L")

With respect to Race Signals, Flag "L", when displayed afloat to indicate "Come within Hail", is mandatory. Failure to respond will be grounds for disqualification.

18. MARK MISSING ("M")

Modifying Race Signals, sound signals while displaying "M" may be omitted.

19. ABANDONMENT SIGNALS ("N" & "N" over "H")

Modifying Race Signals, "N" over "H" means, "All races including those not started are abandoned and will not be sailed." This signal made before 1:15 PM does not refer to afternoon races.

20. SHORTEN COURSE SIGNAL (Flag "S")

Modifying Race Signals, this signal displayed at a rounding mark means: "All classes finish between the rounding mark and the boat displaying this signal". When this signal is displayed over one or more class flags it pertains to those classes only.

21. RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make, receive, nor monitor radio communications while racing.

22. SIGNALS

The following signals will be used in accordance with Race Signals used in the Racing Rules of Sailing, except as modified in these Sailing Instructions.



B
Solid
Red

PROTEST SIGNAL



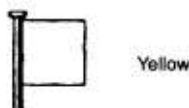
C
Blue, Red
& White

CHANGE OF COURSE
WHILE SAILING



I
Yellow Field
Black Center

ACKNOWLEDGE INFRINGEMENT
(When flown by racing yacht.)
ROUND THE ENDS RULE
(When flown by Race Committee.)



Yellow

ACKNOWLEDGE
BREACH OF RULE



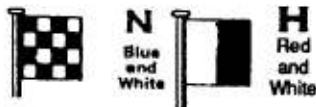
L
Yellow
and
Black

POSTED NOTICE
"COME WITHIN HAIL"
OR "FOLLOW ME"



M
Blue
Field
White
Stripes

MARK SIGNAL



N
Blue
and
White

H
Red
and
White

ABANDONMENT
SIGNALS



S
White
Field
Blue
Center

SHORTEN
COURSE
SIGNAL



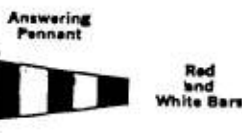
X
Blue Cross
White Field

INDIVIDUAL
RECALL



Y
Yellow
and
Red

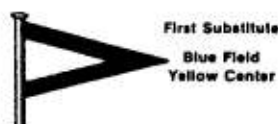
LIFE JACKET
SIGNAL



Answering
Pennant

Red
and
White
Bars

POSTPONEMENT
SIGNAL



First Substitute

Blue Field
Yellow Center

GENERAL RECALL
SIGNAL



Blue
Cone

FINISHING
SIGNAL