



**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS - C Boat
2015 WYA Championship Regatta
Friday August 7- Sunday August 9, 2015
Okauchee Lake Yacht Club
W340N6338 Breezy Point Rd.
Oconomowoc, WI 53066**

Liability Disclaimer: Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Participants in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (the organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any participant, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each participant, or in the case of minors, each participant's parent or guardian, agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such participant's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law

1. **RULES** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2013-16 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
2. **ENTRIES** The regatta is open to Class C Scows. Helms-persons shall be members in good standing of a WYA Club. Eligible boats may be entered by completing registration. In the event co-helmsmen are registered, both must be on board for each race unless the Principal Race Officer is notified before the race, and he agrees to valid reasons for doing so.
3. **NOTICES TO COMPETITORS & CHANGES IN THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** will be posted on the Official Notice Board located at Regatta Headquarters. Notices and changes will be posted at the completion of the Competitors' Briefing, or 90 minutes before the first warning signal on the day it will take effect. Any change in the schedule of races shall be posted by 6pm on the day before the change will take effect.
4. **COMPETITORS' BRIEFING** 8:30am August 7 at the Okauchee Lake Yacht Club and by VHF radio. Channel 68 is the competitor's channel.
5. **SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**
 - 5.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the signal boat.
 - 5.2. Approximately one hour prior to the scheduled warning signal of the first race of the day, the signal boat may make a sound signal.
 - 5.3. When displaying the "Answering Pennant" AP ashore, Race Signal AP is changed from "1 minute" to "not less than 30 minutes".
6. **NUMBER AND SCHEDULE OF RACES**
 - 6.1. This is a 3-day, 5 race event. One completed race will constitute a regatta
 - 6.2. The Warning Signal for the first race, August 7, will be at approximately 10:00 A.M.
 - 6.3. Except when races are sailed back to back, the approximate time of the warning signal for subsequent races will be posted and or announced on the competitor's radio channel.
 - 6.4. If one race is completed, no warning signal will be made after 1:00 P.M. on Sunday, August 9. In any case, no warning signal will be made after 3:00 P.M. on Sunday, August 9.

7. CLASS FLAG The class flag will be a Class C Symbol on a contrasting background.
8. TIME LIMITS
 - 8.1. The time limit will be 90 minutes.
 - 8.2. Boats still racing 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be assigned the score of the position of the last boat to finish plus 2. This changes RRS 35 & A4.1.
9. THE COURSE
 - 9.1. The courses and their designations are shown as COURSE ILLUSTRATIONS
 - 9.2. No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the course designation and approximate compass bearing to the first mark.
 - 9.3. When there is a gate, boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round either gate mark. If only one mark of the gate is present, it should be rounded leaving it to port.
10. MARKS Marks will be red, orange or yellow inflatables
11. THE START
 - 11.1. Races will be started by using RRS 26
 - 11.2. The Starting Line will be:
 - 11.2.1. between a staff displaying an orange flag on an RC boat at the starboard end, and the course side of the port end starting mark; or, between the staffs displaying orange flags on two RC boats
 - 11.2.2. or from a staff displaying an orange flag on a RC boat in the approximate center of the starting line, and thence to a staff displaying an orange flag on a RC boat at the port end
 - 11.3. RRS 30.1 (the I FLAG RULE) will be in effect for all starts. This changes Race Signals.
 - 11.4. If a midline boat is in place in accordance with SI 9.5.2, a boat may return to the pre-start side of the line around the midline boat, leaving it to port, before starting.
 - 11.5. A boat attempting to start more than five minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS. This changes RRS A4.1.
12. RECALLS
 - 12.1. Boats that are OCS under an individual recall will be notified first by VHF radio and possibly by hail
 - 12.2. Following the display of Code Flag "X", the Race Committee will attempt to announce the sail number of all boats identified on the course side of the starting line at the starting signal and boats that must comply with RRS 30.1. Such announcement is a courtesy and failure of the race committee to make the announcement, or of boats to hear or understand it, or the order of the hails, shall not be grounds for granting redress
13. THE FINISH
 - 13.1. The finishing line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on an RC boat, and the course side of a nearby mark; or, between the staffs displaying orange flags on two RC boats.
 - 13.2. A boat that retires from a race shall notify a RC boat before leaving the racing area, or, if that is not possible, notify a regatta official at Regatta Headquarters immediately upon arrival on shore.
14. PENALTIES FOR BREAKING RULES OF PART 2 - WHEN BOATS MEET
 - 14.1. A boat that has performed a Turns Penalty is requested to notify the RC at the finish line.
 - 14.2. A boat that does not comply with RRS 44.1 or SI 14.1, but prior to a hearing, acknowledges breaking a rule, will be penalized 50% of the number of boats entered, but not less than six places, except that she shall not be scored worse than DNF. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.
15. PROTESTS

- 15.1. A boat intending to protest about an incident that occurs in the racing area shall notify the RC finish boat of her intention, including the sail number of the boat (s) being protested. This changes RRS 61.1 (a).
- 15.2. The docking time of the signal boat, the racing numbers of all known protesting and protested boats, and RC actions shall be posted as soon as possible after the signal boat has docked.
- 15.3. Protests shall be written and given to the Protest Committee Chairman or other designated person within the protest time limit, which is one hour after the signal boat docking time. Protest forms are available from the RC and Protest Committee Chairman.
- 15.4. Protest hearing notices shall be posted within twenty minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors where and when there is a hearing to which they are parties, or named as witnesses.
- 15.5. The PC shall hear protests as soon as possible, in approximately the order of receipt.
- 15.6. On the last scheduled race day, a party to a hearing may ask for a reopening no later than one-half hour after being informed of the decision. This changes RRS 66.
- 15.7. RRS 62.2 is changed in that the words "two hours" are deleted and replaced by "one-half hour".
16. SCORING
 - 16.1. The Low Point System of RRS A4 will apply.
 - 16.2. Each boat's total score will be the sum of her scores for all races.
17. COMMUNICATION
 - 17.1. VHF radio will be the primary means of communication between the RC and competitors. Except for an emergency or to make a required report, no transmission shall be made by a competitor.
 - 17.2. Communication devices that may be used by competitors when racing: (a) a weather monitor, (b) a cell phone that may be used for emergency purposes only.

COURSE ILLUSTRATIONS

COURSE DISPLAY SHORTHAND

WINDWARD/LEEWARD COURSES ARE DESIGNATED WITH A "W" FOR COURSES THAT FINISH UPWIND, AND AN "L" FOR COURSES THAT FINISH DOWNWIND. THE NUMERAL ACCOMPANYING THE COURSE DESIGNATION INDICATES THE NUMBER OF LEGS OF THE COURSE.

ALL OTHER COURSES ARE DESIGNATED BY A COMBINATION OF LAPS DISPLAYED USING THE TYPE OF LAP (T = TRIANGLE LAP), A NUMBER INDICATING THE NUMBER OF SUCCESSIVE REPETITIONS OF THAT PARTICULAR TYPE OF LAP, AND A MODIFIER (+) IF THE FINISH IS TO BE TO WINDWARD.

WINDWARD/LEEWARD EXAMPLES

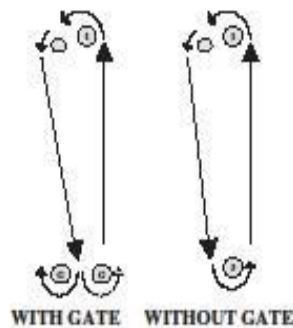
W3 = 3 LEGS (FINISHING UPWIND)
 W5 = 5 LEGS (FINISHING UPWIND)
 L4 = 4 LEGS (FINISHING DOWNWIND)
 L6 = 6 LEGS (FINISHING DOWNWIND)

OTHER COURSE EXAMPLES

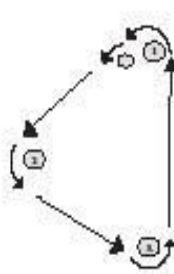
WT+ = WINDWARD LEEWARD FOLLOWED BY TRIANGLE PLUS UPWIND LEG TO FINISH
 W2T = TWO WINDWARD LEEWARD LAPS PLUS A TRIANGLE, FINISHING DOWNWIND
 O+ = TRIANGLE LAP FOLLOWED BY A WINDWARD LEEWARD LAP PLUS UPWIND LEG TO FINISH

NOTE: AN RC BOAT MAY BE SUBSTITUTED FOR MARK(S) ① OR ② ON STARTING OR FINISHING LINES

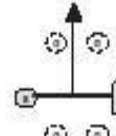
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T = TRIANGLE LAP



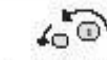
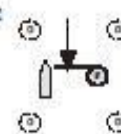
STARTING LINE



+ = UPWIND FINISHING LINE



DOWNWIND FINISHING LINE



1 = WINDWARD MARK WITH OFFSET



G = LEEWARD GATE



2 = GYBE MARK

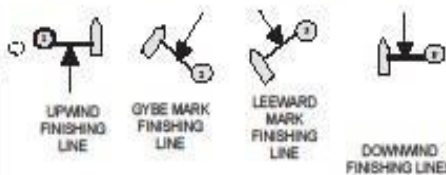


3 = LEEWARD MARK IF TRIANGLE OR NO GATE



MARKS TO BE IGNORED IF PRESENT

FINISHING LINES - RULE 32 (REDUCED NUMBER OF LEGS)



ALLOWABLE ROUND-AN-END COURSES WITH MID-STARTING LINE BOAT (ALSO SEE 5b)

