

March 16, 2016

Hello Sunfish Masters Competitors,

Please find the attached competitors' information package. Which includes:

- Vehicle & Trailer Parking Map (Aerial View)
- Rigging Spot Map
- Food & Beverage Instructions
- Hotel/Motel Information Date Sheet (REQUIRED AT CHECK-IN)
- Sailing Instructions

SAVE CHECK-IN TIME: Know your sail number and complete the <u>required</u> Hotel Motel Information Data Sheet prior to getting in line. The USSCMC receives support from the local "bed tax" based on these forms, so your assistance is greatly appreciated.

ARRIVAL INSTRUCTIONS

Please keep all vehicles and all trailers off of the east lawn at all times. Off-loading trailers is permitted along the sidewalk east of Regatta Headquarters. PLEASED DO NOT BLOCK THE SIDEWALK WITH YOUR VEHICLE. You will not be allowed to park here, it is only for loading and unloading. *Per local ordinance, please keep all vehicles off this grass shoulder throughout the weekend.*

When you arrive take your boat on its dolly to any place on our east lawn to claim your rigging spot. Locations maybe selected on a first come basis. There is plenty of room. Please leave the sidewalks clear for pedestrian access to and from our docks. (See diagram within this document.) After properly placing your boat make sure your vehicle has been moved to a proper parking area so the next vehicle can get into position to unload. After parking proceed to check-in on the second floor of the Sailing Center (REGATTA HEADQUARTERS). Please know your SAIL NUMBER when you check-in.

Trailers <u>attached</u> to vehicles may be parked at the adjacent boat ramp. If you plan to disconnect your trailer from your vehicle it should NOT be at the boat ramp, empty trailers should be parked in the lot WEST of the Boat Ramp (LOT # 2). Passenger vehicles may park on the grass west of Headquarters, and for overflow there is ample parking south of the USSCMC property in Indian Riverside Park.

Four Fish Marina has graciously allowed us to use LOT #2 for our regatta, so we wish to return their generosity with our courtesy. Please keep these lots clean and keep your trailers and cars parked neatly.

As an important reminder, camping on USSCMC property is strictly prohibited by Martin County Parks Department.

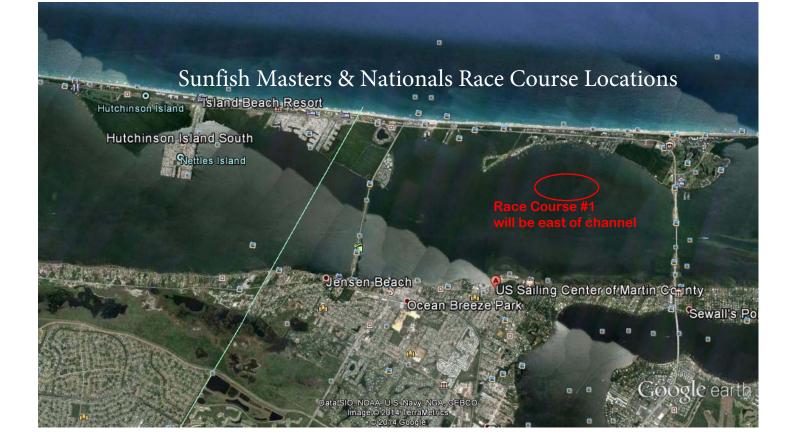
We are looking forward to an exciting weekend. Thank you for supporting the 2016 Sunfish Masters and 2016 Sunfish Nationals.

Sincerely, Alan Jenkinson

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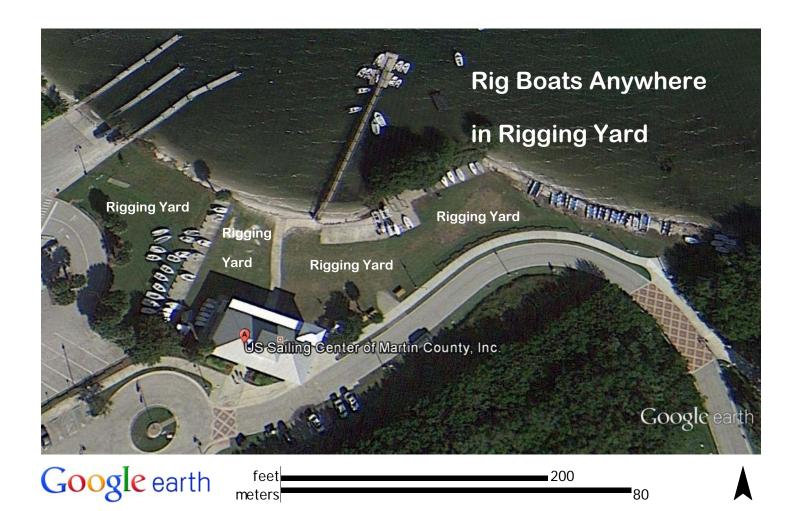














Food & Beverage Notes

Bagels & Coffee will be provided each morning before launching Sun, Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri, Sat. Additionally, there will be a build your own sandwich bar for lunch. Lunch will be on the water, though it is up to each competitor to take their lunch with them. The Race Committee will have snack bars and drinking water available on the water for those needing hydration and nourishment. The USSCMC is a Sailors for the Sea member and we are working towards making our regattas as environmentally friendly as possible, so we encourage our competitors to bring their own reusable water bottles and make every effort to keep trash from getting in the river.

Each day after racing there will be beer, wine, soda & snacks. Two evenings we will be serving dinner (Monday, March 21 and Friday, March 25). Meals are only for the competitors and those guests who have paid in ADVANCE for the evening meal. Guests meals are \$12 per meal when paid in advance. If you did not order your guest meals through Regatta Network, then please do so at check-in.

6PM is the targeted time for each of the meals, though we may make adjustments according to the day of sailing. It will take time to cook and serve for such a large crowd so plan on being patient and enjoying a beverage with your friends while you wait. Monday's dinner will be Chicken and Ribs from Chili's and Friday will be a Steak and Salmon cookout at the Center.

Feeding such a large crowd with good food is always a challenge when you don't have a commercial kitchen. The USSCMC appreciates your support of our regattas and our volunteers will do their best to make your time here enjoyable.

Sail fast and have fun!



The USSCMC is supported by the Treasure Coast Sports Commission. The USSCMC benefits financially as a direct result of the economic impact you bring to our community. Thank you for taking the time to complete this form. One form needed per family. If hotels were booked under a team or club name please provide info.

EVENT NAME:	2016 Sunfish Class International Masters & US Nationals at Midwinters Hosted by US Sailing Center Martin County, Jensen Beach, FL				
DATE OF EVENT:	March 20-26, 2016				
COMPETITOR(S) NAM	ME(S) :				
HOME TOWN:			STATE:		
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☐ Fast Food Restaurant		☐ Boat Fuel Marina		West Marine	
Restaurant Dining		☐ Mall		Walmart, Target, Publix (other	
☐ Auto Fuel Station		Local Entertainment			
Other than sailing list a	ny activities you loo	ok forward to while visiti	ng the Treasure Coast (co	ntinue on back if needed):	



Sailing Instructions Sunfish International Masters March 20 - 22, 2016

United States Sailing Center - Martin County
Jenson Beach, FL



1. Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the <u>rules</u> as defined in the <u>Racing Rules of Sailing</u>.
- 1.2 The text of RRS 30.3 is deleted and replaced with the wording of Appendix L 11.5 (U-Flag rule)
- 1.3 Appendix T, Section A Penalties While Racing will apply.
- 1.4 Appendix T, Section B Post Race Penalties will apply.
- 1.5 Appendix T, Section C Expedited Hearings will apply.

2. Eligibility and Entry

All competitors must meet the eligibility requirements and have filed valid entries in accordance with the Notice of Race.

3. Notices To Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the upper deck or the sailing center.

4. Changes In Sailing Instructions

Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted by the end of the competitors meeting on the first day and on day 2 and 3, before 1000 on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by the end of protest time on the day before it will take effect. Changes may be made orally on the water after displaying code flag AP along with flag L on the Race committee Signal Boat.

5. Signals Made Ashore

5.1 Signals made ashore shall be displayed from the flagpole, on the sailing center dock.

5.2 When Flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

6. Schedule of Races

Sunday, March 20

0900-1030 Competitor Check In, Breakfast Buffet and lunch bar open.

1030 Skippers Meeting

1200 First warning signal, races to follow

After Racing Post Race Refreshments

Monday, March 21

0800-1000 Breakfast Buffet and lunch bar open. 1100 First Warning signal, races to follow

1900 Dinner at USSCMC
After Racing Post Race Refreshments

Tuesday, March 22

0800-1000 Breakfast Buffet and lunch bar open. 1030 First warning signal, races to follow

No warning signal will be made after this time.

After Racing Post Race Refreshments

6.2 Twelve races are scheduled, no more than 4 races may be sailed in one day.

7. Racing Area

The racing area will be the waters of the Indian River Lagoon East of the ICW and the Sailing Center. An alternate sailing area North of the Jenson Beach Causeway may be used.

8. Courses

- 8.1 The diagrams in Attachment A illustrate the courses, including the designation for each course, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2 No later than the warning signal, the Race Committee Signal boat will display the course designation W, O, or T on a white board on the side or stern of the signal boat.
- 8.3 The course length will adjusted to target a race time of 35-45 minutes. A different time to finish will not be considered an improper action or omission of the race committee under rule 61.1(b).

9. Marks

- 9.1 Primary Marks will be Orange Tetrahedrons.
- 9.2 The starting and finishing marks will be Yellow Cylinders.
- 9.3 The offset mark will be a small green Tetrahedron.
- 9.4 New marks, as provided in SI 12, will be Yellow.
- 9.5 If one mark of a gate is not present, the remaining mark shall be rounded to port.

10. The Start

- 10.1 The Class Flag will be the Sunfish Class Insignia on a white flag.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between the staff from which an orange flag is displayed on the Race Committee Signal Boat and the staff from which an orange flag is displayed on a second race committee boat.
- 10.3 The wording of Rule 30.3 is deleted and replaced with the following wording:
- If flag " U " has been displayed as the preparatory signal, no part of a boat's hull, crew, or equipment shall be in the triangle formed by the ends of the starting line and the first mark during the last minute before her starting signal. If a boat breaks this rule and is identified, she shall be disqualified without a hearing but not if the race is restarted or resailed or postponed or abandoned before the starting signal. This changes rule 26. The scoring abbreviation UFD is added to RRS A11.

11. Hailing

When an individual recall is signaled, the Race Committee will attempt to hail boats that are OCS. The timing and order, or omission, of such hails or failure of a boat to hear a hail will not be considered an improper action or omission of the Race Committee under Rule 62.1.

12. Change Of Course

- 12.1 To change the next leg of a course, the race committee will lay a new mark and remove the original as soon as practicable. Other marks will be moved to maintain the original course configuration but will not be replaced.
- 12.2 When in a subsequent change of course a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with an original mark.
- 12.3 The angle of gate or offset marks may be adjusted at any time without signaling a course change.

13. The Finish

- 13.1 The finishing boat will display a blue flag on her stern per "Race Signals". Other boats may be in the general area to assist in spotting sail numbers and backing up the finish boat.
- 13.2 The finishing line will be between a staff from which an orange flag is displayed on a race committee boat and the course side of the nearby finishing mark.
- 13.3 The finishing boat will sound a horn for the first boat to finish indicating the start of the time limit defined in SI 14.2. No sound signals will be made for subsequent finishes.

14. Time limits

- 14.1 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1, 4.2 and A5.
- 14.2 The time limit for a race will be 75 minutes for the first boat to sail the course as required by RRS 28.1.
- 14.3 Boats that are still racing but fail to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat completes the race in accordance with RRS 28.1 shall be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired). Boats that have left the course without finishing will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35, 63.1, A4.2, A5, and A11.

15. Measurement & Equipment

Each competitor is responsible for ensuring their equipment is in compliance with the ISCA rules. Protests by the RC for measurement and class rule violations will be made exclusively as stated in RRS 60.2 for a report generated per RRS 78.3. The class representative responsible for measurement issues and class rule interpretations during the regatta is Chris Gates.

16. Penaties and Protests

- 16.1 Appendix T Section A is in place. This requires a One turn penalty for rule infractions except that a Two turn penalty is required for infractions within the zone around a mark.
- 16.2 Appendix T Section B is in place. This allows a competitor to take a post race penalty for rule infractions. The penalty is 20% if taken before protest time expires and 30% if taken after protest time expires, but before a hearing begins.
- 16.3 Protests will be handled according to the procedure in Appendix T, Section C, Expedited Hearings. The procedure requires notifying the finish boat of the intent to protest after finishing the race in which the incident occurred. Please make the report on the opposite side of the finish boat from the finish line and wait for a break between finishers to do so. If the protesting boat is unable to finish, make the report to the regatta office when you return ashore.
- 16.4 Protests reported to the RC will be listed on the notice board immediately after the signal boat docks. Protests will be heard beginning as soon as the parties can be assembled. The requirement for a written protest may be waived unless there is damage or injury to one or more parties.
- 16.5 Parties to protests listed on the notice board shall be present at the south end of the upper deck, in the vicinity of the hearing room, no later than 30 minutes after the signal boat docks. If a party is not present at that time, the hearing may proceed under RRS 63.3 (b).

17. Scoring

- 17.1 A minimum of one race must be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 17.2 The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A2, will be used as modified below.
- 17.3 The score for TLE shall be one point more than the number of boats who finished the race within the time limit. This changes RRS A 4.1.
- 17.4 The worst race score will be discarded when six or more races are completed.
- T To determine results for each of the five age categories, competitors are simply broken out of the overall results by category. The individual categories will not be separately re-scored.

18. Safety and other items.

- 18.1 Personal Floatation Devices shall be worn at all times while on the water except for brief periods necessary to add or remove clothing. This changes RRS 40.
- 18.2 Before the first warning signal of the day, each boat shall sail past the starboard side of the race committee signal boat and hail her sail number, which will be acknowledged. (Be mindful of the outriggers on the signal boat to avoid sail damage.)
- 18.3 A competitor who withdraws from a race or intends not to start a race shall inform the nearest safety or race committee boat as soon as possible. Competitors who leave the racing area before the final finish of the day must check in at the sailing center office immediately upon return to shore.
- 18.4 The penalty for a breach of the safety rules shall be a 20% scoring penalty without hearing in the race the boat completes that is closest to the time of infraction. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

19. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

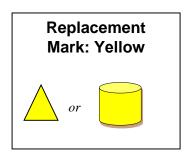
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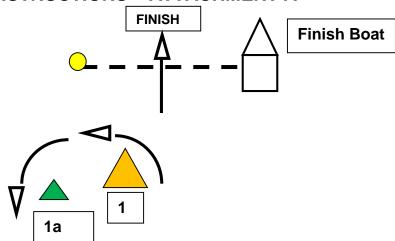
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Awards will be given to the top 3 finishers in each of the five age categories. There will also be awards for the highest placing overall finisher and the highest placing woman.

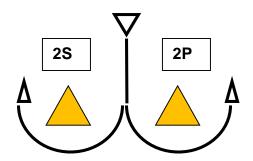
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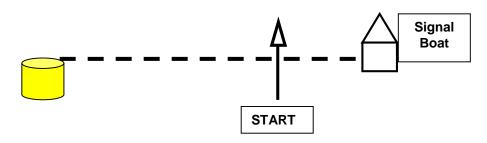
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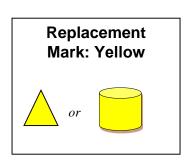


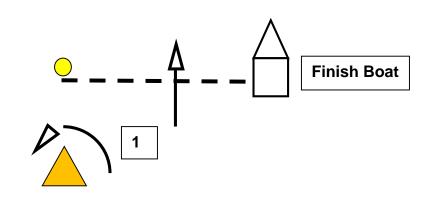
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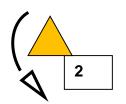




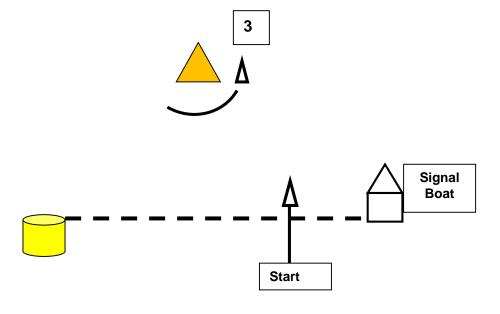
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Triangle Courses NOT TO SCALE



COURSE O: START-1-2-3-1-3- FINISH (UPWIND) COURSE T: START-1-2-3-1-2-3 -FINISH (UPWIND)



Sailing Instructions for Fleet Racing Sunfish US Nationals at Midwinter's March 24 - 26, 2016

United States Sailing Center - Martin County Jenson Beach, FL



1. Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The text of RRS 30.3 is deleted and replaced with the wording of Appendix L 11.5 (U-Flag rule)
- 1.3 Appendix T, Section A Penalties While Racing will apply.
- 1.4 Appendix T, Section B Post Race Penalties will apply.
- 1.5 Appendix T, Section C Expedited Hearings will apply.

2. Eligibility and Entry

All competitors must meet the eligibility requirements and have filed valid entries in accordance with the Notice of Race.

3. Notices To Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the upper deck or the sailing center.

4. Changes In Sailing Instructions

Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted by the end of the competitors meeting on the first day and on day 2 and 3, before 1000 on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by the end of protest time on the day before it will take effect. Changes may be made orally on the water after displaying code flag AP along with flag L on the Race Committee Signal Boat.

5. Signals Made Ashore

5.1 Signals made ashore shall be displayed from the flagpole, on the sailing center dock.

5.2 When Flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

6. Schedule of Races

6.1

Thursday, March 24

0900-1030 Competitor Check-In 1030 Skippers Meeting

1200 First warning signal, races to follow

Friday, March 25

1100 First Warning signal, races to follow

1800 Competitors Dinner on Deck

Saturday, March 26

1030 First warning signal, races to follow

No warning signal will be made after this time.

6.2 Twelve races are scheduled, no more than 4 races may be sailed in one day.

6.3 The finish boat will display code flag A while finishing the final race of the day.

7. Racing Area

The racing area will be the waters of the Indian River Lagoon East of the ICW and the Sailing Center. An alternate sailing area North of the Jenson Beach Causeway may be used.

8. Courses

- 8.1 The diagrams in Attachment A illustrate the courses, including the designation for each course, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2 No later than the warning signal, the Race Committee Signal boat will display the course designation using code flag W, O, or T on the bow of the signal boat.
- 8.3 The course length will be adjusted to target a race time of 45-60 minutes. A different time to finish will not be considered an improper action or omission of the race committee under rule 61.1(b).

9. Marks

- 9.1 Primary Marks will be Orange Tetrahedrons.
- 9.2 The starting and finishing marks will be Yellow Cylinders.
- 9.3 The offset mark will be a small green Tetrahedron.
- 9.4 New marks, as provided in SI 12, will be Yellow.
- 9.5 If one mark of a gate is not present, the remaining mark shall be rounded to port.
- 9.6 The signal boat will be a pale green 38-foot sport fishing boat. An orange or white ball will be tethered from the stern and is to be considered part of the boat.

10. The Start

- 10.1 The Class Flag will be the Sunfish Class Insignia on a white flag.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between the staff from which an orange flag is displayed on the Race Committee Signal Boat and the course side of the starting mark.
- 10.3 The wording of Rule 30.3 is deleted and replaced with the following wording:
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11. Recalls

The race committee will attempt to hail OCS boats. The timing and order of hails, or the failure of a competitor to hear a hail shall not be considered an improper action or omission of the race committee under RRS 62.1 (a). Recordings of the starting sequence will be made available to any competitor within 30 minutes of the posting of Race Committee Actions.

12. Change Of Course

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13. The Finish

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17. Scoring

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- 17.2 The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A2, will be used as modified below.
- 17.3 The score for TLE shall be one point more than the number of boats who finished the race within the time limit. This changes RRS A 4.1.
- 17.4 The worst race score will be discarded when six or more races are completed.
- The places for top Grand Master (60 or older), top Junior (under 18) and top Woman are simply broken out of the overall results by category. The individual categories will not be separately re-scored.

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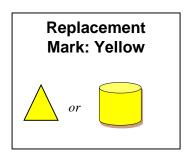
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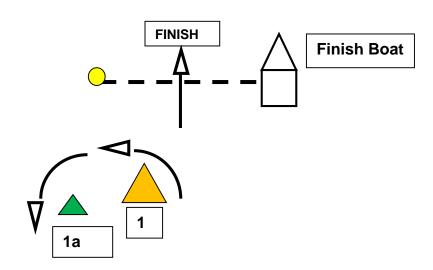
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20. Awards

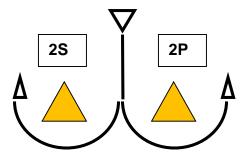
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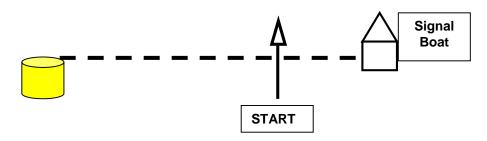
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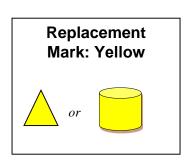


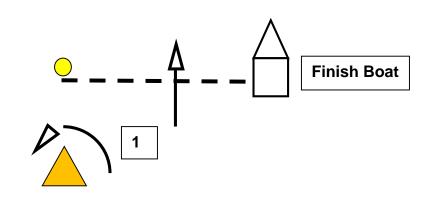
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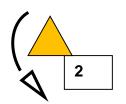




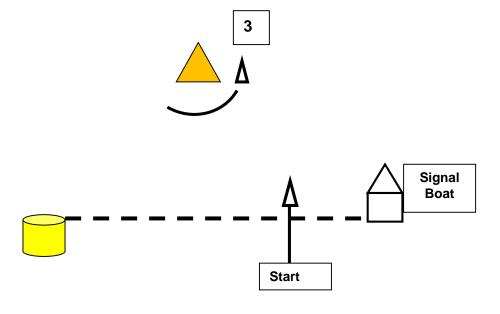
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Triangle Courses NOT TO SCALE



COURSE O: START-1-2-3-1-3- FINISH (UPWIND) COURSE T: START-1-2-3-1-2-3 -FINISH (UPWIND)