

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2016 Hope Regatta



Spinnaker and Jib & Main Classes

1. RULES

- **1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2013 2016.*
- **1.2** In the event of conflict between the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.
- **1.2** A violation of rule 55 can result in a penalty other than disqualification.
- **1.3** Rule 55 is changed by adding "Discarding sail stops (bands) while setting a sail is permitted".

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board on the first floor screened porch of the River Dunes clubhouse.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- **3.1** Changes to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on Saturday and Sunday.
- **3.2** For an on the water change of the sailing instructions, the "L" flag will be displayed on the signal boat. The change, and classes to which the changes apply if appropriate, will be announced on VHF channel 69. This changes race signals.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

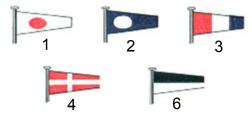
- **4.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole in front of the River Dunes clubhouse.
- **4.2** When AP flag is displayed ashore '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP. This changes race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Dates of racing: Saturday June 11th and Sunday June 12th.
- **5.2** Number of races: We will attempt to hold up to 5 races; preferably 3 on Saturday and 2 on Sunday.
- **5.3** Each boat shall sail by the signal boat, hail her sail number and be acknowledged by the race committee with a return hail of her sail number. You are also requested to notify the race committee if you leave the racing area prior to finishing or prior to the end of the day's racing.
- **5.4** The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on Saturday is 1100. The scheduled time of the warning signal on Sunday is 1000. Warning signals for subsequent races of the day will be at the discretion of the race committee.

6 CLASS/Division FLAGS

Jib & Main A	Numeral Pennant 1
Jib & Main B	Numeral Pennant 2
Spinnaker A	Numeral Pennant 3
Spinnaker B	Numeral Pennant 4
Multihull	Numeral Pennant 6



7 RACING AREA

The racing area will be on the Neuse River SSW of the entrance to Broad Creek.

8 THE COURSES

The diagrams in Addendum A show the courses to be used. All marks will be left to port. The course board, mounted on the starboard side of the signal boat, will show the courses for each division.

9 MARKS

9.1 W, L and Jib marks will be LARGE orange inflatable cylinders. The start/finish mark to port of the signal boat will be a small yellow inflatable cylinder.

10 THE START

- **10.1** The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat at the starboard end of the line and the port-end start/finish mark.
- **10.2** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. The starting area is defined as 50 yards in all directions from the starting line. Boats that do not keep clear of this area are subject to protest by the race committee only. This changes rule 60.1(a).

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- **11.1** The race committee may change the next leg of the course by changing the position of the next mark.
- **11.2** The race committee will also display the "C" flag and attempt to broadcast that a mark(s) has been moved over VHF Channel 69. Failure of a boat to hear such notification or failure to broadcast will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1.

12 TIME LIMIT

- **12.1** The time limit for the first boat to finish in a class or division will be 2 hours.
- **12.2** Boats still racing 30 minutes after the first boat in their class or division sails the proper course and finishes, and not thereafter retiring, will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) without a hearing. A "TLE" score shall be two more points than the number of boats that have finished within the time limit. This changes rule 35, 63.1, and A11.

13 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- **13.1** A boat intending to protest shall report to the race committee on the signal boat or windward finish boat as soon as possible after finishing, giving the race committee its sail number and the sail number(s) of the protested boat(s).
- **13.2** Protest/Redress forms will be available on the official notice board.
- **13.3** Protests must be filed with the race officials at the LATE REGISTRATION desk within 1 hour after the signal boat has docked for the day. Upon docking, the signal boat will sound a long horn to signify the start of this protest submission time limit. The time of docking will also be posted on the official notice board.
- **13.4** Requests for redress shall be filed in accordance with rule 62.2.

14 SCORING

- **14.1** Boats scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) will be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus two by the race committee without a hearing. The total shall not exceed the number of boats in that class or division. This changes rule A4.1, A4.2 and A5.
- **14.2** One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- **14.3** No score shall be excluded, this changes rule A2.

15 RADIO COMMUNICATION

15.1 A designated race committee observer on the signal boat may report visual signals displayed by the race committee over VHF Channel 69. Information reported by the designated observer is provided as a courtesy to competitors and does not in any way alter the competitor's responsibility to observe the race committee's visual signals which govern the conduct of the racing. Errors or omissions on the part of the designated observer will not be grounds for requesting redress. This changes rule 62.1.

16 PRIZES

Finishes will be announced on the water by the Signal Boat after all racing has concluded on Sunday. Final standings will be published on the ODC web site and awards will be delivered by mail or in person during week after the regatta.

17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. Neither the organizing authority nor the race committee will accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, or death in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

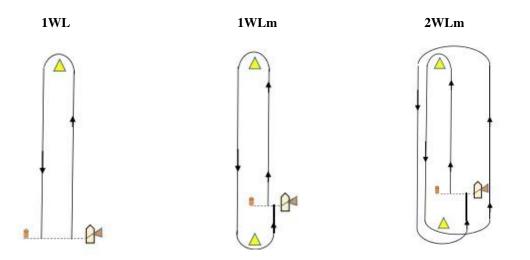
ADDENDUM A

Courses will be indicated by an appropriate number plus letters displaced on the Signal Boat. All marks will be left to Port. For courses, with the Start/Finish in the middle of the weather leg, the Starting mark is used only for the Start and Finish. After starting boats may not sail through the Start/Finish Line except to finish. Boats on 2nd weather leg, and all downwind legs, may pass either side of the Start/Finish Line.

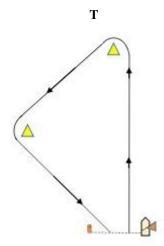
Example: "2WLm" "2" indicates that competitors must sail 2 times around the course.

"WL" indicates course configuration is Windward/Leeward

"m" indicates the races starts & finishes mid-leg.



COURSE DIAGRAMS



T1WL

