



Flying Scot® Sailing Association
2017 ATLANTIC COAST CHAMPIONSHIP
2017 CAPITOL DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

September 23 and 24, 2017
Hosted By Fishing Bay Yacht Club, Fleet 103
Deltaville, VA

Organizing Authority: Flying Scot Sailing Association ("FSSA")
in conjunction with Fishing Bay Yacht Club ("FBYC")

The notation "[DP]" (Discretionary Penalty) after a rule means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the Protest Committee, be less than DSQ.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the 2017-2020 *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), the Flying Scot® Sailing Association Class Rules, and these Sailing Instructions (SIs).
- 1.2. If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race (NOR) and the SI, the rule in the SI shall take precedence. This changes RRS 63.7.
- 1.3. The US Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 60, 63.2 and 63.4 do not apply for this regatta.
- 1.4. Race Signals "AP" is modified in accordance with SI Section 5.2.
- 1.5. RRS 63.1 and A5 are changed so that a boat that starts later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. (See SI Section 11.6.)
- 1.6. RRS 60.1 and 63.1 are changed in accordance with SI Section 17, Towing.
- 1.7. RRS 62.1(a) is changed regarding grounds for redress and OCS notifications. (See SI Section 11.8.)
- 1.8. RRS 44.1 is changed so that Appendix V1 Alternative Penalties will be in effect. (See SI Section 14.)
- 1.9. RRS 62.2 is changed to set time limits for redress requests. (See SI Sections 15.7 and 15.8.)
- 1.10. RRS A2.1 is changed so that there will be no races excluded for scoring purposes. (See SI Section 16.2.)
- 1.11. RRS 35 is changed so that a boat that does not finish within 30 minutes of the first boat to finish will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE). (See SI Section 13.)
- 1.12. RRS 35, A4, A4.2 and A5 are changed to specify the scoring for TLE. (See Section 16.4.)
- 1.13. RRS 61.1 is changed to require the protesting boat to inform the RC immediately after finishing of her intent to protest, to include sail number of boat being protested. (See SI Section 15.2)

2. ENTRIES

If there is a Challenger Division, those boats shall fly a colored streamer (to be provided at registration) approximately one foot above the clew of the mainsail.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located outdoors



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adjacent to the front of the Main Club House.

- 3.2 The Race Committee will use VHF channel 69 for courtesy and safety communications with competitors that do not involve changes to the Sailing Instructions. The RC may use different channel(s) to communicate privately that shall not be monitored by competitors.

4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted at the Official Notice Board before 0830 of each day of the regatta except that any change in the racing schedule will be posted before 2000 the day before it will take effect.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the club's main flagpole on the Fishing Bay pier.
- 5.2. If a postponement is signaled ashore, the Warning signal will be made not less than 60 minutes after flag AP is lowered. This changes RRS – Race Signals – “AP”.

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1. A competitors' meeting will be held Saturday, September 23, 0930, on the Fishing Bay side of the main clubhouse.

- 6.2. Schedule is as follows:

6.2.1. Friday, September 22

Registration and check-in	1600-1900
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6.2.2. Saturday, September 23

Continental Breakfast	0800-0915
Registration, check-in	0800-0930
Competitors Meeting	0930
Warning signal for first race (subsequent races to follow)	1130
Dinner	1800-2100

6.2.3. Sunday, September 24

Continental Breakfast	0800-0900
Warning signal for first race	1000
No Warning signal past	1400
Awards to follow	ASAP after the last race

- 6.3. The display of code flag “A” with no sound while boats are finishing means “no more racing today”. Conversely, if code flag “A” is not displayed, it will be the intention of the RC to continue racing.

- 6.4. No Warning signal will be made after 1400 on the last day of the regatta.



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7. CLASS FLAGS

- 7.1. The Championship Division class flag will be a white Flying Scot® logo on a red field.
- 7.2. If sailed, the Challenger Division class flag will be a blue Flying Scot® logo on a white field.

8. RACING AREA

The anticipated racing area (see Appendix 1) for each day will be posted on the Official Notice Board. If the racing area subsequently changes, follow the Signal Boat under code flag "L". Be advised: Depending on the launch side (Fishing Bay or Jackson Creek), some of the race areas require extra time to sail out to. Review Appendix 1 and adjust your departure time accordingly.

9. COURSES

- 9.1. Diagrams for the courses, course designations, the rounding order, and the side on which each mark is to be left are shown in Appendix 2.
- 9.2. The course will be displayed on lettered/numbered placards on the starboard quarter of the Signal Boat. The number denotes the total number of legs, and it may be higher than shown in the course diagrams in Appendix 2.
- 9.3. Offset Mark – If numeral pennant 9 is displayed on the Signal Boat during the starting sequence, boats will be required to round an offset mark.
- 9.4. Leeward Gate – If code flag "G" is displayed on the Signal Boat, then the RC will set a leeward gate. All boats shall sail between the leeward gate in the direction from the last mark and round either the port leeward mark to port or the starboard leeward mark to starboard. If only one leeward mark is in place, boats shall leave it to port.
- 9.5. On course H, the Start/Finish line is closed except when starting or finishing.

10. MARKS

- 10.1. The rounding marks will be orange cylinders.
- 10.2. The offset mark for windward-leeward courses will be a red ball.
- 10.3. The starting mark will be a yellow cylinder.
- 10.4. The finishing mark will be a yellow cylinder, except when sailing course W3 (or W5), in which case it will be the Weather mark.
- 10.5. If the course is changed, a new mark will be a yellow cylinder. If the course is changed again, the original mark will be used.

11. THE START

- 11.1. Prior to the Warning signal of the first race of each day, code flag "L" will be flown and each boat shall check in by sailing past the stern of the Signal Boat on starboard tack and hailing her sail number until acknowledged by the RC. [DP]
- 11.2. Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26.
- 11.3. The starting line will be between the staff of an orange flag on a race committee boat at the starboard end of the line, and the course side of the starting mark.



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- 11.4. As a courtesy, the Warning Signal may be preceded by short repetitive sound signals to alert competitors that a starting sequence is about to begin. This is not a timed signal.
- 11.5. Boats whose Warning Signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area.
- 11.6. A boat that does not start within four minutes of her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.
- 11.7. If two divisions compete, races will be started in the following order: Championship Division followed by the Challenger Division.
- 11.8. As a courtesy, the race committee will, after the starting signal, hail the sail number of OCS boats and boats that have not complied with RRS 30.1 via VHF Radio Channel 69. The delay of such hails, the order of hailing, the failure of the Race Committee to hail, or the failure of a competitor to hear such a hail shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

12. THE FINISH

- 12.1. The finish line will be between the staff of an orange flag on a race committee boat and the course side of an adjacent finishing mark.
- 12.2. Any boat retiring from a race shall promptly notify the RC either by hail or VHF transmission. Such attempt at notification shall be continued until acknowledged by the RC. [DP]

13. TIME LIMIT

- 13.1. For each Division independently: The time limit for the first boat to pass the first mark will be 45 minutes, and for the first boat to finish will be 90 minutes. If either of these limits is not met, the race will be abandoned.
- 13.2. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes of the first boat to sail the course and finish will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) as defined in Section 16.4 in these Sis. This changes RRS 35 and A11.

14. ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES

The alternative penalties of Appendix V1 will apply.

15. PROTESTS, REDRESS, AND APPEALS

- 15.1. Appendix T "Arbitration", Sections T1 – T4, will be in effect for this regatta.
- 15.2. Boats intending to protest shall inform the race committee immediately after finishing, including the sail number of the boat(s) she intends to protest. This changes RRS 61.1.
- 15.3. Protest forms will be available at the Regatta/Registration desk in the lobby of the main clubhouse.
- 15.4. The Protest Time Limit, the time during which all written protests must be filed, is 60 minutes after the Signal Boat docks each day. This time will be posted on the



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Official Notice Board. Written protests will be delivered to the Regatta/Registration desk.

- 15.5. A notice of protests filed and approximate hearing times will be posted on the Official Notice Board within 20 minutes after the Protest Time Limit expires.
- 15.6. Protests will be held in the Jury Room, on the upper level of the main clubhouse.
- 15.7. The RC will post all RC actions on the Official Notice Board within the Protest Time Limit. The time limit for a Request For Redress based on those actions shall be 45 minutes after the RC posting or the end of the Protest Time Limit, whichever is later. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 15.8. On the final day of the regatta, a request for redress based on a Protest Committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

16. SCORING

- 16.1. The Low Point system of RRS Appendix A2 will be used.
- 16.2. All completed races will be scored. This changes RRS A2.1.
- 16.3. A maximum of five (5) races are scheduled, of which one (1) race must be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 16.4. Boats scored TLE will be given the number of points as the last boat to sail the course and finish within the time limit, plus one point. This changes RRS 35, A4, A4.2 and A5.

17. TOWING

Boats may be towed to and from the race area only if towing is made available to all competitors. Otherwise, a boat accepting a tow without consent from the RC, shall be disqualified without a hearing from its most recent race. [DP] This changes RRS 63.1. Protests under this rule may be made only by the RC or the Protest Committee. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

18. SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats shall not be used except for those made available to all competitors provided by the organizing authority.

19. CREW

- 19.1. No change to crew will be allowed without written permission from the RC.
- 19.2. The same number of crew shall sail throughout the regatta.

20. TROPHIES

Trophies will be awarded to the skipper and crew of the top five boats in the Championship Division. Trophies will be awarded in the Challenger Division, if sailed, as follows: 3-5 boats = 1 trophy, 6-8 boats = 2 trophies, and 9 or more boats = 3 trophies. In addition, the ACC perpetual trophy will be awarded for the top scoring boat in the Championship Division. The Capitol District Championship trophy will be awarded to the top scoring Capitol District competitor in the Championship Division.



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21. COMMERCIAL VESSELS

A boat competing in this regatta and its crew shall at all times keep well clear of commercial vessels and shall not maneuver in any manner which would cause a commercial vessel to have to alter its normal course, take other evasive action, or fail to carry out its commercial functions in a normal manner.

22. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. FBYC and 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.

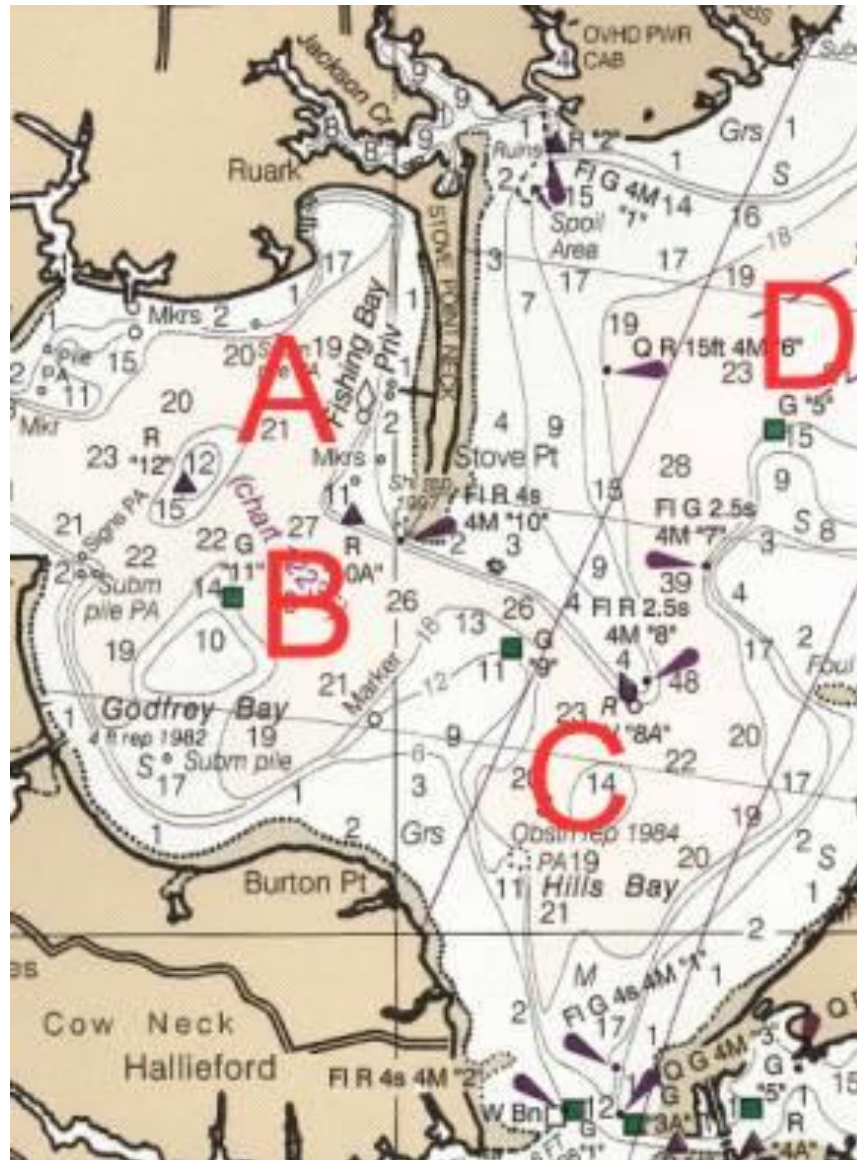


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APPENDIX 1
RACE COURSE AREAS



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APPENDIX 2
COURSE DIAGRAMS

