



2018 Doublehanded Series Sailing Instructions

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 RRS 40 is changed as follows: Competitors shall wear personal floatation devices, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits or dry suits are not personal flotation devices. Flag Y may or may not be displayed.
- 1.3 RRS 44.1 is changed as follows: A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty as described in RRS 44.2 when she may have broken a rule of part 2 while racing. However, if a boat breaks SI 8.5 (restricted starting-finishing line) she may take a Two-Turns Penalty and continue racing.
- 1.4 The US prescriptions to RRS 63.2 and 63.4 are deleted.

2 COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board on Regatta Network:
<http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/17572>

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Changes to the sailing instruction will be posted on the official notice board on Regatta Network by 1200 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 the day before it will take effect.
- 3.2 In accordance with RRS 90.2(c), the race committee may give oral changes to the sailing instructions, on-the-water. Should this be deemed necessary, the race committee shall display the "L" flag on the signal boat while making oral announcements.

4 NO SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

No signals will be made ashore.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Eight races are scheduled as follows:

Day 1 (two races scheduled)	Wednesday 9/5	First warning 1700 hours
Day 2 (two races scheduled)	Wednesday 9/12	First warning 1700 hours
Day 3 (two races scheduled)	Wednesday 9/19	First warning 1700 hours
Day 4 (two races scheduled)	Wednesday 9/26	First warning 1700 hours

- 5.2 Warning signals for the second race each day will be made as soon as practical after completion of each race.

6 CLASS FLAGS

All boats will start as one class. The class flag is a solid green flag.


7 RACING AREAS

The racing areas will be near Tahoe City between Dollar Point and Tahoe Tavern with the start off the US Coast Guard Station.

8 THE COURSES AND MARKS

- 8.1 Course 1 shall be sailed by all boats.
- 8.2 Course 1 is: Start, Windward Mark, Leeward Mark, Finish.
- 8.3 The windward and leeward marks shall be inflatable red buoys.
- 8.4 The windward and leeward marks shall be rounded to port.
- 8.5 After starting and before finishing, boats shall not cross the start-finish line. Boats breaking this SI may take a Two-Turns Penalty, as described in RRS 44.2, and continue racing.

9 THE START

- 9.1 If code flag A is displayed at or before the warning signal, spinnakers shall not be flown. 
- 9.2 **If a signal boat is on station,**
 - (a) Races will be started using RRS 26.
 - (b) The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange or red flag on the race committee signal boat and a round red/orange buoy.
 - (c) This changes the Notice of Race.
- 9.3 **If a signal boat is not on station,** a gate (rabbit) starting system will be used (as follows).
 - (a) Moore 24 Moorigami will serve as the rabbit (pathfinder) boat.
 - (b) At the warning signal, the rabbit boat will sound a horn blast and will sail by the starting line pin mark on port tack. The rabbit boat shall remain on port tack until all boats have passed between her transom and the starting line pin mark (on starboard tack), **or** until the rabbit boat reaches her layline to the windward mark. Boats failing to start before the rabbit boat reaches her layline will be scored DNS.
 - (c) After the warning signal, boats crossing between the rabbit boat's transom and the starting pin have started.
 - (d) While starting, boats shall keep clear of the rabbit boat. Boats failing to do so will be disqualified without a hearing. This changes RRS 60, and 61.
 - (e) The rabbit boat will be scored identically to other boats (with no additional handicap).
 - (f) See Exhibit A on page 3 for an illustration of the rabbit start.

10. RECALLS

If a signal boat is on station, the Race Committee may hail the sail number(s) of the boat(s) identified on the course side of the starting line after the starting signal. The failure of a hail, the failure of a boat to hear the hail, or the order of the hails shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

11 THE FINISH

- 11.1 If a signal boat is on station, the finishing line is the same as the starting line.
- 11.2 If a signal boat is not on station,
 - (a) A second red inflatable mark will be set after the start, to denote the other end of the finishing line.
 - (b) Boats are required to take their own time using cellphone or GPS time. If a cellphone time is used, boats will be assumed to have started with 00 seconds and will be assumed to have finished at (finish minutes plus 01, and seconds = 00).

12 TIME LIMIT

- 12.1 The time limit for each race is 60 minutes.
- 12.2 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4, and A5.

13 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 13.1 When a signal boat is on station, boats intending to protest or request redress shall notify the PRO, including the sail number(s) of the boat(s) being protested, following the race in which the incident occurred.
- 13.2 Protest forms are available at the Tahoe Yacht Club clubhouse. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the TYC not later than noon on Thursday following the race.
- 13.3 A notice will be posted online not later than noon on Wednesday following the race. Hearings are normally scheduled on Wednesday evening following the race at the TYC clubhouse.

14 SCORING

- 14.1 Eight (8) races are scheduled for the series. Three (3) completed races are required to constitute a series.
- 14.2 If fewer than five races are completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores. If five (5) or more races are completed, one race score shall be discarded. This changes RRS A2.1.

EXHIBIT A – RABBIT START ILLUSTRATION

