

# Flying Scot® Sailing Association

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### 2019 FLYING SCOT® MIDWINTER CHAMPIONSHIP

March 23-27, 2019

Hosted by Sarasota Sailing Squadron and Fleet 36

Organizing Authority: Flying Scot® Sailing Association ("FSSA")  
in conjunction with Sarasota Sailing Squadron ("SSS")

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current edition of the FSSA Class Rules and *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS). However, the following Rules are changed:
- 1.2 Race Signals "AP" is changed per SI 4.2.
- 1.3 RRS 60.1 and 60.3 are changed per SI 11 regarding protests and penalties for boats that do not check in.
- 1.4 RRS 62.1(a) is changed per SI 12.4 regarding requests for redress related to OCS notifications and compliance with RRS 30.1.
- 1.5 RRS 63.1 and A5 are changed per SI 12.5 so that a boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing.
- 1.6 RRS 32.1 is changed per SI 13.3 so that no course is shortened to fewer than three legs.
- 1.7 RRS 35, A4, A4.2, A5 and A11 are changed per SI 15.3 and/or 18.3 to specify the scoring for "Time Limit Expired" boats.
- 1.8 RRS 44.1 is changed per SI 16.1 and 16.2 so that Alternative Penalties V1 and V2 are in effect.
- 1.9 RRS 62.2 and 66 are changed per SI 17.7 and/or 17.8 and/or 17.9 to set time limits for redress requests and re-opened hearings.
- 1.10 RRS A2.1 is changed per SI 18.2 so that a boat's score shall be the total of her race scores.
- 1.11 RRS A4.2 is changed so that a penalty score is based on one Division but not both.
- 1.12 RRS 64.4 is changed per SI 19 with respect to support and tow boats.
- 1.13 RRS 92 is clarified as follows: The Technical Committee is the Measurement Committee.
- 1.14 The US Sailing prescriptions to RRS 63.2 and 63.4b shall not apply.

#### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located inside the porch on the eastern side of the Sarasota Sailing Squadron (SSS) clubhouse.

#### 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 0900 on the day it takes effect, except that any change to the racing schedule will be posted before 1800 on the day before it will take effect.

#### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the yardarm of the main flag post located on the eastern side of the SSS clubhouse.
- 4.2 When Code Flag AP is displayed ashore "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 45 minutes" in the Race Signal AP. This changes Race Signals AP.

#### 5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 At registration, a colored streamer will be provided to boats in the Challenger Division, and it shall be flown from the leach of the main sail approximately 12 inches above the clew.
- 5.2 A maximum of eight races are scheduled.
- 5.3 Up to three races may be held each day.
- 5.4 Subsequent races each day will be held as soon as practicable after the end of the previous race. If the RC finish boat displays Code Flag A with no sound signal while boats are finishing, it means "no more racing today".
- 5.5 The Wednesday time limit may be extended in accordance with the Bylaws if three races have not been

completed by the end of the day on Tuesday.

Sunday, March 24	First Warning Signal of the Day	1100
Monday-Wednesday, March 25-27	First Warning Signal of the Day	1100
Wednesday, March 27	No Warning Signal after this time	1400

## 6. CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 The class flags are as follows:
- Championship Division: white Flying Scot® logo on a red field
  - Challenger Division: blue Flying Scot® logo on a white field.

## 7. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 7.1 The RC will use VHF Channel 71 to communicate with competitors.
- 7.2 Competitors are only to contact the RC on the water in the event of emergencies, safety issues, to retire from a race or report a protest or penalty taken.

## 8. RACING AREA

The racing area is in Sarasota Bay, north of the SSS.

## 9. COURSES

- 9.1 The courses to be sailed are illustrated in Addendum 1 which shows the course designations and the order in which marks are to be rounded.
- 9.2 There will be an offset mark at the windward mark.
- 9.3 There will be a leeward gate. Boats shall sail between the gate marks in the direction from the previous mark and round either gate mark. If one gate mark is missing, the remaining mark shall be rounded to port.
- 9.4 Except for the leeward gate, all marks shall be rounded to port.
- 9.5 The course designation, approximate distance and magnetic bearing to Mark 1 will be displayed on the starboard side of the RC signal boat.

## 10. MARKS

- 10.1 The starting and finishing marks will be green tetrahedrons.
- 10.2 Marks 1, 2S 2G and 2P 2G, will be orange tetrahedrons.
- 10.3 Mark 1A will be an orange sphere.
- 10.4 New marks as provided in SI 13.1 will be yellow tetrahedrons except the offset mark will remain the same. If the course is changed again, the original marks will be used.
- 10.5 The RC may adjust the angle of a gate without making any signals.

## 11. SAFETY CHECK-IN

When the RC signal boat displays Code Flag L and prior to the first warning signal each day, competitors shall sail past the stern of the signal boat on starboard tack and hail their sail number until acknowledged by the RC. Only the RC may protest alleged breaches of this sailing instruction. Each time a boat breaks this sailing instruction, it will be posted on the Official Notice Board. The second time, and every time thereafter that a boat breaks this sailing instruction, the penalty shall be applied to the first race of the day on which the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> infraction occurred, and shall be the worse of: 1) the Scoring Penalty calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c) or 2) another penalty. This changes RRS 60.1 and 60.3.

## 12. THE START

- 12.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on an RC boat at the starboard end, and the course side of the starting mark on the port end.
- 12.2 As a courtesy, the warning signal for each race may be preceded by short repetitive sound signals to alert competitors that a starting sequence is about to begin.
- 12.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area.
- 12.4 As a courtesy, the RC may hail the sail number of boats that are OCS or have not complied with RRS 30.1 via VHF radio and/or orally. The delay of such hails, the order of hailing, the failure of the RC 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).
- 12.5 A boat that starts later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

### 13. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE AND SHORTENED COURSES

- 13.1 To change the next leg of the course, the RC will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 13.2 In the event a Changed or Shortened Course affects only one Division, the RC will display the class flag for the Division affected along with the appropriate code flag. If no class flag is displayed, the code flag applies to both Divisions.
- 13.3 No course will be shortened to fewer than 3 legs. The windward mark to the offset mark is not a leg of the course. Course changes that shorten a leg of a three-leg course are not permitted. This changes RRS 32.1.

### 14. THE FINISH

- 14.1 The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on an RC boat and the course side of the finish mark.
- 14.2 Boats that retire before finishing will inform the RC as soon as possible.

### 15. TIME LIMITS

The following apply to each Division:

- 15.1 The time limit for the first boat to pass the first mark will be 45 minutes, and for the first boat to sail the course and finish will be 120 minutes.
- 15.2 If either of these limits is not met, the race for the division will be abandoned.
- 15.3 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 SI 18.3 without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5 and A11.

### 16. ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES

- 16.1 Appendix V1, Penalty at the Time of an Incident: The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while *racing*. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the *zone* around a *mark* other than a starting *mark*, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.' This changes RRS 44.1.
- 16.2 Appendix V2, Penalty Taken After a Race: After a race, a boat that may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while *racing* may take a Post-Race Penalty for that incident. A boat takes the penalty by delivering a written notice to the race office that identifies the race number and when and where the incident occurred. The penalty shall be a 30% Scoring Penalty, calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rules 44.1(a) and (b) apply, and the penalty shall not be taken after a protest hearing involving the incident has begun. This changes RRS 44.1.

### 17. PROTESTS AND REDRESS

- 17.1 A boat intending to protest will attempt to inform an RC boat as soon as possible after finishing and before docking, and include the sail numbers of the protestee(s).
- 17.2 A boat that has taken an alternative penalty per Appendix V1 or V2 shall file a report with the protest committee representative before the protest time limit.
- 17.3 Protest forms will be available at the office in the SSS clubhouse.
- 17.4 Protests shall be delivered to the protest committee representative in the SSS clubhouse office or adjacent room within 60 minutes after the RC finish boat docks. The docking time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 17.5 Notices of protests by the RC or the protest committee will be posted on the official notice board.
- 17.6 The order of protests will be approximately in the order received and will be posted within 15 minutes after the end of the protest time. Hearings will be held as soon as possible thereafter in the SSS club office or adjacent room.
- 17.7 Redress Request: If the RC posts a list of boats scored OCS, ZFP, UFD or BFD on the official notice board before the protest time limit, a request for redress shall be made no later than 60 minutes after the protest time limit. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 17.8 On the last day of racing, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
  - a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day; or,
  - b) no later than thirty (30) minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the last day. This changes RRS 66.
- 17.9 On the last day of racing, a request for redress based on a jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2 and 66.

## **18. SCORING**

- 18.1 Three races must be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 18.2 A boat's score shall be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.1,
- 18.3 A boat scored TLE will be awarded points two greater than the last boat to sail the course and finish within the 30 minute time window. This changes RRS 35, A4, A4.2, A5 and A11.
- 18.4 In RRS A4.2 the words "the series" shall mean "its Division". This changes RRS A4.2.

## **19. SUPPORT BOATS**

A competitor shall not use support or spectator personnel or their equipment, including tow boats, while away from the dock unless they have been pre-approved by the Protest or RC, or made available to all competitors by the Organizing Authority. This changes RRS 64.4.

## **20. PRIZES**

Trophies will be awarded as stated in the Notice of Race. The perpetual trophies are:

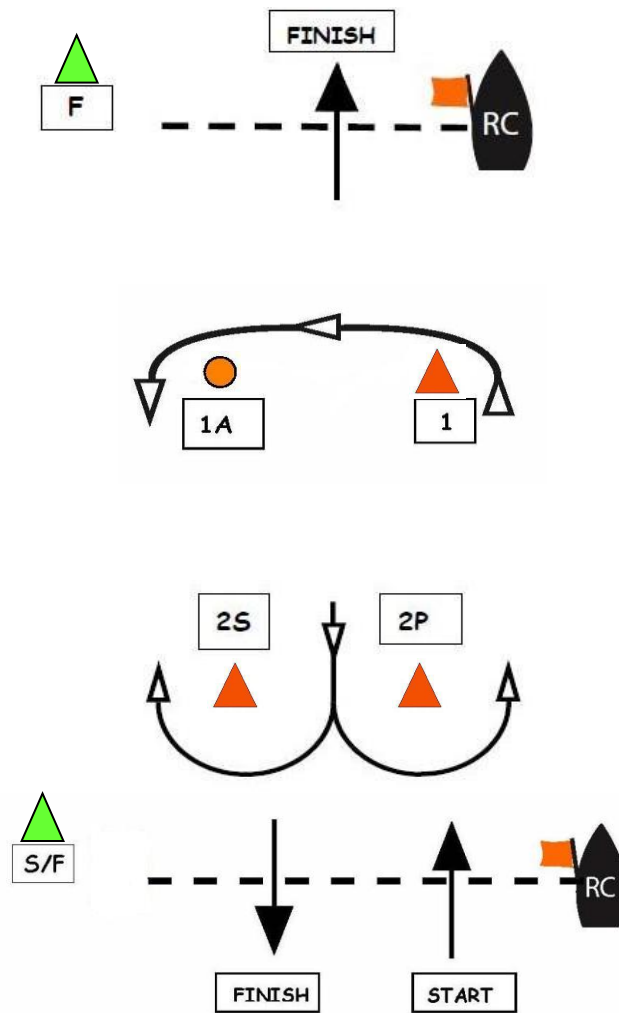
- Championship Division 1st: Mary Meno Perpetual Trophy
- Challenger Division 1st: Brenda Pollack Perpetual Trophy
- Sportsmanship (voted on by the sailors): Allan M. Douglas Trophy

## **21. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. Neither the organizing authority nor the host organization will accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta and any and all events associated with it. Participants agree to abide by the RRS and all other rules that govern this event and the host club. Payment of the Entry Fee acknowledges agreement and consent to this paragraph.

# ADDENDUM 1

## WINDWARD - LEEWARD COURSE DIAGRAM



NOTE: COURSE DESIGNATIONS INDICATES NUMBER OF LEGS EXCLUDING OFFSET (1 TO 1A)

COURSE **W3**: START-1 (port) - 1A (port) - 2 S/P - FINISH (upwind)

COURSE **W4**: START-1 (port) - 1A (port) - 2 S/P - 1 (port) - 1A (port) - FINISH (downwind)

COURSE **W5**: START-1 (port) - 1A (port) - 2 S/P - 1 (port) - 1A (port) - 2 S/P FINISH (upwind)

COURSE DIAGRAM IS NOT TO SCALE

### MARKS

	1, 2S, 2P ORANGE TETRAHEDRON		COURSE CHANGE YELLOW TETRAHEDRON		1A ORANGE SPHERE		START FINISH GREEN TETRAHEDRON
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