



CHARLESTON YACHT CLUB ANNUAL OPEN REGATTA
20-21 July, 2019
Charleston, SC
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
17 July 2019

1. **RULES -**

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the racing rules of sailing (RRS) as defined in the current *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. Appendix V1 and V2 are in effect for this event.
- 1.3. Competitors must sail with the sail number submitted at registration. Changes to sail numbers must be submitted in writing to and approved by the Circle PRO.
- 1.4. The USS Prescriptions to RRS 63.2 and 63.4 are deleted.
- 1.5. The notation '[DP]' in a *rule* means that the penalty for a breach of the *rule* may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

2. **NOTICES TO COMPETITORS** - Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located at the Charleston Yacht Club Junior Training Room window.

3. **CHANGES IN THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS -**

- 3.1. Any Changes to the sailing instructions that apply to Saturday will be announced at the skipper's meeting and subsequently posted on the Official Notice Board after the skipper's meeting.
- 3.2. Any change to the sailing instructions that apply to Sunday will be posted before 0900 on Sunday, except that any change to the written schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on Saturday.
- 3.3. Oral changes to the Sailing Instructions may be given on the water by hail from the Signal Boat under code flag "L" in accordance with RRS 90.2 (c). Oral Changes communicated on the water shall be made before the warning signal for the affected class/classes.

4. **SIGNALS MADE ASHORE –**

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the ChYC flagpole
- 4.2. When code flag "AP" is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes" in the RRS Race Signal "AP."

5. **SCHEDULE OF RACES –**

- 5.1. Races are scheduled as follows:

Friday, July 19 1600-1900 Registration in ChYC Flag Room

Saturday, July 20 0900-1030 Registration, ChYC Flag Room
1030 Welcome and Skippers' Meeting, ChYC Flag Room
1040 Course 1 Junior Sailors' meeting, ChYC Junior Room or lower deck
1300 First warning, Race(s) to follow immediately

Sunday, July 21 1100 First warning, Race(s) to follow immediately
Awards Ceremony following Protest Time Limit

- 5.2. No warning signal will be made after 1400 on Sunday, July 21.

6. **CLASS FLAGS –**

- 6.1. Class flags will be posted on the Official Notice Board following closure of registration on Saturday morning.
- 6.2. Class flag assignments will also be announced at the skipper's meeting.

7. **RACING AREA –** Attachment A shows the location of racing areas. It will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

8. **COURSE -**

- 8.1. The diagrams in Attachment B show the courses for Circle 2, Attachment C show the courses for Circle 3 and Attachment D show the courses for Circle 1.
- 8.2. No later than the warning signal, the RC signal boat for Circles 2 and 3 will display the numeral pennant to signify the course. For Circle 1, the course will be noted on a white board displayed from the RC signal boat.
- 8.3. If the "V" flag is hoisted at or before the prep flag with no repeating sound, the starting fleet will go the change mark for the weather mark. The "V" flag will be dropped with the class flag at the starting signal.
- 8.4. For Circle 3, if the course being sailed is using a Change Mark, the OFFSET (1A) mark will not be used.

9. **MARKS -**

- 9.1. Circle 3 – Marks 1 and 2 will be yellow tetrahedral. Mark 1A will be orange ball.
- 9.2. Circle 2 - Marks 1 and 2 will be orange tetrahedrons.
- 9.3. Circle 1 – Rounding Marks will be red balls.
- 9.4. Change mark for Circle 2 will be the same color mark with a black band.
- 9.5. Change mark for Circle 3 will be a green tetrahedron.
- 9.6. The start pin for Circle 3 is an orange ball.
- 9.7. The start pin for Circle 2 is a white ball.
- 9.8. The start pin for Circle 1 will be a white ball.
- 9.9. The finish mark for Circle 3 will be a Mark Boat displaying an orange flag or an orange ball.
- 9.10. The finish mark for Circle 2 will be a 2.5 ft. green tetrahedron
- 9.11. The finish mark for Circle 1 will be a yellow ball.

10. **THE START -**

- 10.1. Races for Circle 3 and 2 will be started using RRS 26.
- 10.2. Races for Circle 1 will be per Appendix U – Audible-Signal Racing System
- 10.3. The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the RC signal boat and the starting mark or an orange flag on the starting pin boat.
- 10.4. "A boat that has not met the definition of *start* by 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start". This sentence is added to rules A4.2 and A5.

11. **THE FINISH -**

For Circles 1, 2 & 3, the finish line will be between the staff displaying a blue flag on the RC finish boat and the finish mark for that circle.

12. **TIME LIMITS -**

- 12.1. Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat in the class sails the course and finishes, will be scored as TLE.
- 12.2. If a boat(s) in last place in a race is delaying the start of another race, the race committee may terminate the race before the 20 minute limit is reached and score the boat(s) in the place she would have finished.

13. **PENALTY SYSTEM -**

- 13.1. PENALTIES AT THE TIME OF THE INCIDENT (RRS V1) - The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a one turn penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark her penalty shall be a two-turns penalty.
- 13.2. PENALTIES TAKEN AFTER A RACE (RRS-V2) - After a race a boat that may have broken a rule of part two or RRS 31 while racing they 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 Post-Race 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 the protest hearing involving the incident has begun.

14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS -

- 14.1. A boat intending to protest about an incident that occurs in the racing area shall notify the RC race committee finish boat of her intention, including the sail number of the boat(s) being protested. This is in addition to RRS 61.1(a). [DP]
- 14.2. A boat that does penalty turn(s), shall report that fact to the RC finish boat as soon as possible after finishing giving the sail number of the boat doing the penalty turns. This change is an addition to RRS 44.2. [DP]
- 14.3. Protest forms will be available at the Charleston Yacht Club Junior Room. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 14.4. For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the RC Signal Boat for that class has docked for the day and sounded a horn which starts the time limit. The same protest time limit applies to all protests by the RC and jury and to requests for redress.
- 14.5. Notices of scheduled protest or requests for redress hearings will be posted on the Official Notice Board to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or may be parties affected by a request for redress. This will constitute notice to all parties under RRS 63.2. Hearings will be heard in approximately the order in which they are received. Hearings will be held in the in the Junior Room.
- 14.6. Notices of protests by the RC or PC will be posted on the official notice board to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b) before the end of the protest time limit.
- 14.7. On the last day of the regatta, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day. This changes RRS 66.

15. SCORING -

- 15.1. An unlimited number of races are planned. After six races have been completed, each boat will exclude their worst score.
- 15.2. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.3. Boats scored as TLE will receive two more places than the last place finisher in its class without a hearing. This change is added to RRS 35 and A4.1.

16. SAFETY -

- 16.1. Prior to the first warning of each day, competitors shall sail by the stern of the signal boat on starboard tack to check in and hail their sail number and receive a return hail from the RC.[DP]
- 16.2. A boat that retires shall notify the RC as soon as possible.
- 16.3. A boat and its crew shall at all times keep clear of all commercial vessels and shall not maneuver in any manner which would cause a commercial vessel to be unable to sail their proper course or carry out their commercial functions in a normal manner.[DP]
- 16.4. A boat whose actions or maneuvers result in a Danger Signal (5 Horns or Sounds) from a commercial vessel may be protested.
 - 16.4.1. This Sailing Instruction can only be protested by the RC. This Change is added to RRS 60.1 and 60.3.
 - 16.4.2. The penalty for breaking this rule MAY be disqualification from the entire regatta. [DP]
- 16.5. E-Scows are required to sail with 'Float Packs' at all times while racing. Failure to do so will result in being scored DNS without a hearing.
- 16.6. For Circle 1, all competitors must wear life jackets from the time they leave the dock until they return.

17. SUPPORT BOATS -

- 17.1. For all classes except Optimist Green fleet, team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the warning signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. The penalty for failing to comply with this requirement or verbal instructions from the race committee will be the disqualification of all boat(s) associated with the offending support boat(s) after a protest hearing.
- 17.2. Coaching is encouraged for the Optimist Green Fleet.

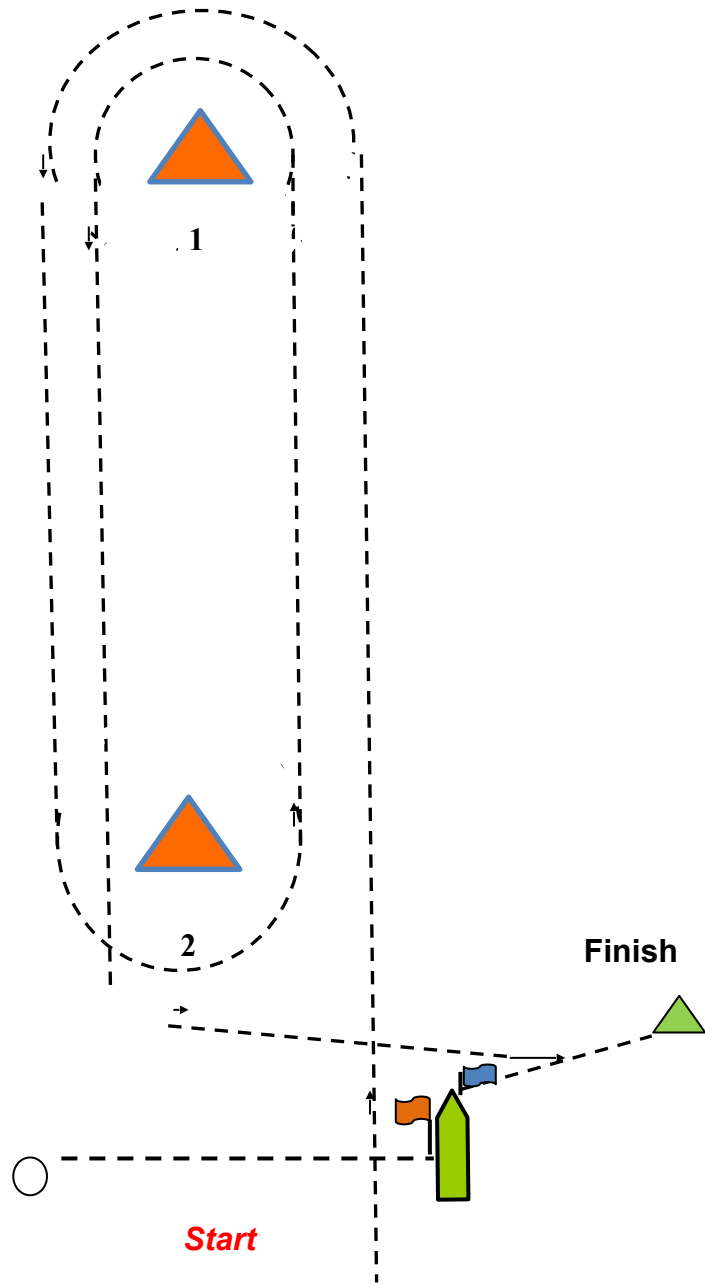
18. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS -

- 18.1. The Race Committee will not respond to transmissions from competitors except to acknowledge retirement, protests, penalties reported or requests for emergency assistance. The race committee will use VHF channel 74 for Circle 2, channel and 73 for Circle 3. Alternate channels may be used at the discretion of the Race committee.
- 18.2. The race committee broadcasts (hails or other communications, also be considered broadcasts) concerning its intentions, the course to be sailed, starting times, course changes, etc. are a courtesy only. Failure of any boat to receive or properly interpret this information, or any errors or omissions on the part of the hailed messages shall not be grounds for granting redress.
- 18.3. A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones or similar communication devices.

19. **PRIZES** – Prizes will be awarded according to the Notice of Race. ChYC Special Awards will also be presented.

20. **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 or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

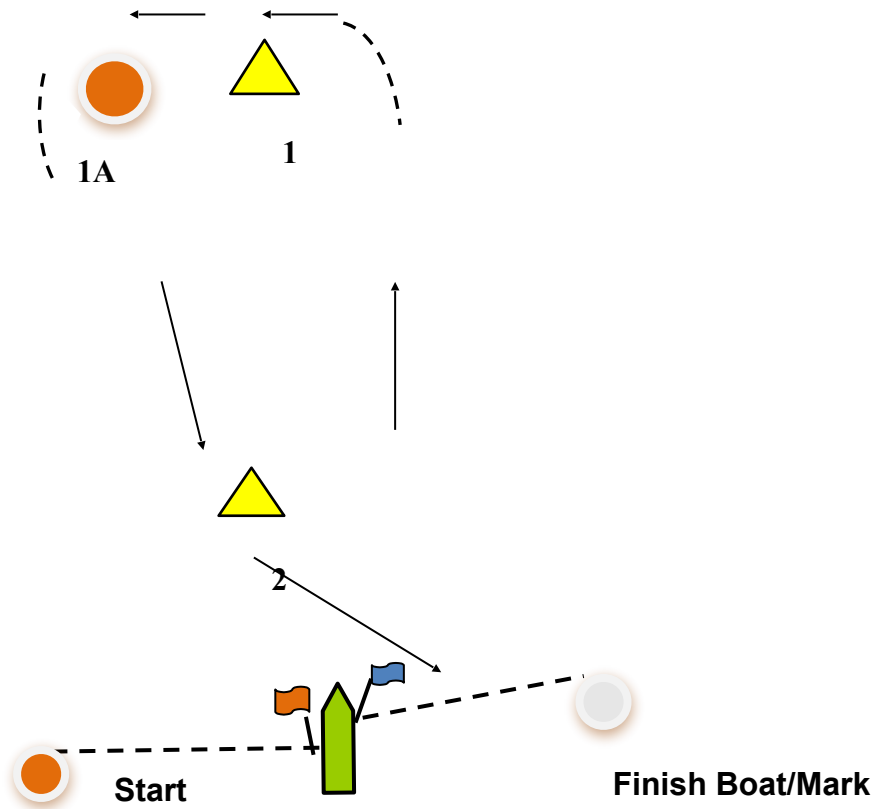
ATTACHMENT B –CIRCLE 2 COURSE DIAGRAM



COURSE NO.	
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2	S-1-2-1-2-F
3	S-1-2-1-2-1-2-F

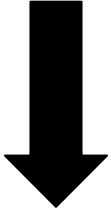
ATTACHMENT C –CIRCLE 3 DIAGRAM

COURSE NO.	<i>All Classes</i>
1	S-1-1A-2-F
2	S-1-1A-2-1-1A-2-F
3	S-1-1A-2-1-1A-2-1-1A-2-F



ATTACHMENT D –CIRCLE 1 DIAGRAM

WIND



1. S-1-2-3-F
 2. S-1-2-3-1-2-3-F
 3. S-1-2-3-1-2-3-1-2-3-F
- ALL MARKS TO PORT

MARK 1

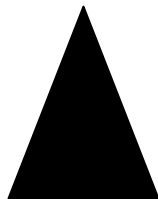


MARK 2

MARK 3



START PIN



RC



FINISH