

Oxford Regatta – Weekend 2 Penguin, Adult Laser August 9, 2020



Tred Avon Yacht Club/Chesapeake Bay Yacht Club Oxford, MD

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

As amended 8/6/20 to incorporate the changes of Amendment #2

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, 2017 2020 (RRS).
- 1.2 In the event of a conflict between the *Notice of Race* and the *Sailing Instructions*, the *Sailing Instructions* take precedence. This changes RRS 63.7.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the event website found at www.tayc.com/racing by 0900 on race day in the News and Notices section.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted no later than 0900 on race day.
- 3.2 On the water, the Race Committee (RC) shall communicate any changes made to each boat prior to the warning signal.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the signal mast on TAYC's upper deck.
- 4.2 When flag "AP" is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes" in Race Signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 There will be no Competitors' Meeting.
- 5.2 The warning signal for the first race will be 1025.
- 5.3 The Race Committee will start as many races as time and conditions allow. Subsequent races may be started soon after a class's last boat finishes the prior race.
- 5.4 No warning signal will be made after 1600.

6 CLASS FLAGS

6.1 The Race Committee signal boat shall display the class flag of the next class to start no later than its warning signal.

7 RACING AREA

7.1 The racing area will be in the Tred Avon River south of the TAYC clubhouse near designated area Foxtrot.

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 The attached diagrams (page 5) show four courses with corresponding letters L, O, P or T.
- 8.2 No later than the warning signal, the Race Committee signal boat will display the course letter and, for course **P**, the number of laps. For course **T**, if additional laps are displayed, they will be Windward-Leeward between Marks 1 and 3; Mark 2 will no longer be a mark of the course. For courses **L** and **O**, the leeward mark on the first upwind and last downwind legs can be disregarded.
- 8.3 Unless preparing to start, starting or finishing, boats shall <u>not</u> sail through the starting or finishing line. A breach of this rule is grounds for disqualification. This changes RRS A5.
- 8.4 Courses may be shortened by the Race Committee at any mark.

9 MARKS

- 9.1 The start and finish marks will be orange balls located on opposite sides of the race committee signal boat and are passed as shown on the course diagram.
- 9.2 Marks 1,2 and 3 will be yellow tetrahedrons.
- 9.3 A race committee starting or finishing boat may set a stand-off buoy, which buoy, the line attaching it to the Race Committee boat and the Race Committee boat are all part of the starting or finishing mark.

10 THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started using RRS Appendix U3 three (3) minute Audible Signal Racing System. A series of short attention sounds will be used to alert competitors of the Race Committee's intention to sound the warning signal in approximately 1 minute.
- 10.2 There will be at least one minute between the start of one class and the warning signal for the next class.
- 10.3 Order of starts and class flags:
 - 1. Laser Laser class flag
 - 2. Penguin Penguin class flag
- 10.4 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat and the course side of an orange ball to <u>port</u> of the signal boat.
- 10.5 A boat crossing the starting line later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored "DNS" without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- 10.6 The Race Committee will attempt to hail OCS boats, but the failure to hail, the hail of some but not all OCS boats, the order in which hailed or untimely hailing of boats shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 10.7 After a general recall, a new starting sequence for the recalled class will begin one minute after the lowering of code flag "First Substitute" with one sound.
- 10.8 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence of other classes.

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

11.1 A change of the next leg of the course will be accomplished in accordance with RRS 33.

12 THE FINISH

12.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat and the course side of an orange ball on the <u>starboard</u>side of the signal boat. The finish line is on the opposite side of the signal boat from the starting line. Refer to attached course diagrams.

13 TIME LIMITS

- 13.1 If the first boat in a class fails to complete the course within 60 minutes the race will be abandoned.
- 13.2 Boats must finish within 30 minutes of the first boat in her class or be scored "DNF" without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

14 PROTEST AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1 There will be no Protest Committee to hear protests or requests for redress except protests from the Race Committee. This changes RRS 60.
- 14.2 If a boat needs to absolve itself of an infraction, it must perform the appropriate one-turn or two-turn penalty (RRS 44.1).

15 SCORING

- 15.1 RRS Appendix A4, Low Point System, will apply.
- 15.2 One race must be completed to constitute the series.
- 15.3 If six or more races are completed, a boat's worst score will be excluded from her total score, subject to RRS 90.3(b).

16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1 A boat that retires or leaves the racing area between races shall make every effort to notify a committee boat before leaving the area.
- 16.2 The Race Committee may, in conditions it deems hazardous, require a competitor to accept assistance.
- 16.3 Competitors are strongly encouraged to wear a USCG approved PFD while racing.

17 Special Covid-19 Regatta Rules

- 17.1 Social distancing shall be practiced at all times while on Club property, especially around the boat lift and other areas of congestion.
- 17.2 Masks covering the nose and mouth shall be worn by all individuals while on Club property.
- 17.3 Current state requirements for protection against the transmission of Covid-19 must be practiced throughout the regatta.
- 17.4 The clubhouse will be locked; restrooms may be accessed from the outside only. There will
 - be no food or bar service other than pre-ordered bag lunches (see NOR).
- 17.5 Non-crew members will not be allowed on Club property immediately before, during or after the racing with the exception of race officials.

18 PRIZES

- 18.1 Trophies will be awarded as stated in the NOR.
- 18.2 Perpetual trophies may also be awarded:

<u>Francis G. Bartlett Perpetual Trophy</u>: Winner of the Penguin class <u>Classic Penguin Trophy</u>: Top classic Penguin skipper

19 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

19.1 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.



