

CAROLINA YACHT CLUB EASTER REGATTA
April 6th & 7th, 2012
The Carolina Yacht Club
Charleston, SC

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

REVISION 1

1.0 RULES - The regatta will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).

2.0 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS - Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located downstairs at the Boathouse.

3.0 CHANGES IN THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any Changes to the sailing instructions will be posted not less than one hour prior to the warning signal of the first race in which the change will take place.

3.2 Any changes to the schedule of races will be posted no later than 2000 hours on the day before the change takes place.

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). Changes must be made before the warning signal.

4.0 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE –

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole at the Carolina Yacht Club.

4.2 When code flag "AP" is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 45 minutes" in the RRS Race Signal "AP."

5.0 SCHEDULE OF RACES – Races are scheduled as follows:

Friday, April 6 th	0930	Skipper Meetings
	1100	First Warning
		Other races to follow
Saturday, April 7 th	1100	First Warning
		Other races to follow

6.0 CLASS FLAGS – Class flags will be as follows:

E-Scow:	White Flag with letter E
MC Scow:	White Flag with letters MC
Laser:	Laser Class Insignia on a white background

7.0 RACING AREA – Charleston Harbor.

8.0 COURSES

8.1 The diagram shows the courses and the approximate angle between legs and the order in which the marks are rounded and the side on which each mark is to be passed. No later than the Warning signal, the RC signal boat will display the course to be sailed, which will be designated by international code numeral flags. In the absence of flags, course boards may be used.

8.2 If the offset mark (0) is missing, boats should sail to the leeward mark (2 or 2A) after rounding mark 1. This changes Rule 34.

9.0 MARKS

Marks 1 & 2	Orange tetrahedron
Mark 2A	Yellow tetrahedron
Offset Mark 0	Orange Ball
Starting Mark	Orange Flag
Finish Mark	Yellow Inflatable (see paragraph 13.1)
Change Mark	Green Inflatable

10.0 THE START

- 10.1 Races for will be started using RRS 26.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the RC signal boat on the starboard end of the starting line and the port end starting boat with orange flag.
- 10.3 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) for that race. This changes A3.

11.0 CHANGE OR SHORTEN COURSE BEFORE OR AFTER THE START

- 11.1 When starting succeeding classes, the signal boat may elect to change the location of the weather mark for classes not started by displaying Code Flag C no later than the preparatory signal. This change will be only for classes that have not started.
- 11.2 For course changes after starting, a signal board with the classes for which the change of course applies will be displayed along with flag C. If no classes are displayed on a signal board, the change applies to all classes.
- 11.3 In shortening the course after the start, a race committee boat will display a signal board with the classes for which the shorten course applies will be displayed along with flag S. If no classes are displayed on a signal board, the shorter course applies to all classes.

12.0 PENALTY TURNS

- 12.1 RRS 44.1 (two turns penalty) is in effect except for the E-Scow class where RRS 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.
- 12.2 Any boat that does a two-turn or one-turn penalty will report this fact to the race committee as soon as possible after finishing, giving them the sail number of the boat doing the penalty turns. This changes RRS 44.2.

13.0 THE FINISH

- 13.1 The finish line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the RC boat on the starboard end of the finish line and the port end finishing boat with an orange flag. At the RC's discretion a yellow inflatable may be used on the port end instead of the finishing boat with orange flag.

14.0 TIME LIMITS

- 14.1 The time limit for the first boat in each class to finish is 90 minutes.
- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat in the class sails the course and finishes, will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) and will be scored two more places than the last place finisher in its class without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A 11 and A4.1.

15.0 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 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).
- 15.2 Protest forms will be available at the "Official Notice Board". Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 15.3 For each class, the protest time limit is 30 minutes after the finish Committee 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. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.

- 15.4** Notices of scheduled protests or requests for redress hearings will be posted on the Official Notice Board within 15 minutes of the protest time limit 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 and its Prescription.
- 15.5** Protests will be held in the Clubhouse as soon as possible and in approximate order of receipt or at a time determined by the Protest Committee.
- 16.0 SCORING**
- 16.1** The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply except that a boat's final score shall be the sum of all races with no score excluded (except there will be one throw out if six races are sailed). This changes rule A2.
- 17.0 SAFETY**
- 17.1** 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. This changes RRS 63.1.
- 17.2** A boat that retires shall notify the RC as soon as possible.
- 17.3** 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.
- 17.4** A boat whose actions or maneuvers result in a Danger Signal (5 Horns or Sounds) from a commercial vessel may be protested.
- 17.4.1** This Sailing Instruction can only be protested by the RC. This Changes RRS 60.1, 60.3.
- 17.4.2** The penalty for breaking this rule shall be disqualification from the entire regatta.
- 18.0 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. 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 the Race Committee to make a broadcast, the channel of the broadcast, the timing of a broadcast, or the failure of a boat to hear a broadcast shall not be grounds for granting redress.
- 19.0 PRIZES** – Prizes will be awarded according to the Notice of Race.
- 20.0 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.

CYC Easter Regatta Course Diagrams



COURSE NO.	*COURSE
1	S-1-O-2-F
2	S-1-O-2-1-O-2-F
3	S-1-O-2-1-O-2-1-O-2-F
4	S-1-O-2A-F
5	S-1-O-2A-1-O-2A-F
6	S-1-O-2A-1-O-2A-1-O-2A-F

