



Oxford Regatta
Mid Atlantic Midget Championship
Opti White, Blue, Red Fleets
“Bravo Course”
August 13 & 14, 2016
Pro: Tot O’Mara

RULES

This regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing, these sailing instructions & notices on the official bulletin board in the clubhouse.

MANAGEMENT OF RACES

Races will be sailed under the management of the Tred Avon Yacht Club Race Committee.

SKIPPER’S MEETING

0930 Saturday under the tent

SCHEDULE OF RACES

The regatta will consist of as many races as practical.

Saturday first Warning 1030

No start after 1600

Sunday first Warning 1000

No start after 1400

RACING AREA

The racing area will be south of TAYC, downriver on the Tred Avon River, between R2 & Pier St., Bravo course

COURSES

The diagrams w/identifying letters shown below indicate types of courses to be sailed. The identifying letter will be displayed from the committee boat before or with the warning signal. In the case of Course “T” and “W”, the number of laps to be sailed will be indicated in connection with the course signal.

T – Triangle with start/finish in middle of windward leg.

W – Windward, offset mark, leeward with start/finish in middle of windward leg.

The start and finish lines may be crossed only at the start and finish of each race.

The course can be shortened at the discretion of the race committee at any mark of the course.

MARKS

The marks used will be yellow tetrahedrons. Off set and start and finish marks will be red/orange circular marks.

START

Races will be started using RRS 26. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the port side of the Race Committee Signal boat and the windward edge of a red/orange starting mark. The I, Z and black flags may be used. Any standoff mark attached to the RC signal boat shall be considered to be a part of the signal boat. A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.

For the first race of each day the Midget fleet will start first. The combined red, white and blue fleets will start later. Subsequent races will be started as time allows and may result in single starts for the Midgets or the red, white and blues.

Midget championship racers will fly a hot pink streamer from the top of their sprit. The streamer will be available at the registration table.

The class flag for the Midget racers will be signal flag M (blue square with white x).

RECALLS

Individual Recalls will be signaled by code flag “X” (white w/blue cross) & one horn blast. The committee will not hail the sail number(s) of the premature starter(s). “X” flag will be dropped four minutes post start regardless of all boats clear.

General Recall will be signaled by display of code flag “first substitute” (yellow & blue pennant) & two guns or horn blast.

FINISH

The finish line will be between the blue on station flag on the starboard side of the committee boat & the nearby red/orange finish mark. After finishing boats must clear the finish area to avoid other competitors who are still racing.

TIME LIMITS

Race limited to 1 hour. Boats failing to finish within 25 min. after the first boat finishes will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRs rule 35.

SAFETY

A boat shall not pass through the start/finish line of any other fleet.

Boats & coaches are required to sail by the signal boat & check-in prior to first race of the day. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the RC or mark boat ASAP.

All competitors under 18yrs old & all coaches shall properly wear USCG approved type III personal floatation devices at all times while afloat except for brief periods while changing. Inflatable types are not permitted.

While afloat, competitors shall not have any contact with a coach that does not comply with this PFD requirement.

The race committee may protest boats not complying with part of this safety regulation. This changes RRS rule 40.

PROTESTS

A yacht desiring to protest must notify the other contestants involved. The protesting yacht shall notify the race committee boat at the finish of that race & receive acknowledgment. A written protest must be filed with the race committee within one hour after the committee boat returns to the dock. Time & location of protest meetings will be posted on the official bulletin board.

SCORING

The Low Point Scoring System will apply. 1 race completed shall constitute a series. There will one throw-out if 5 races are completed and two throw-outs if 10 races are completed

NO COACHING IS ALLOWED FOR MIDGET CHAMP RACERS.

AWARDS

Awards will be presented at the trophy presentation at Harleigh 1630, Sunday, Gates open at 1600hrs.

Jacket & tie required, ladies appropriate attire.

