



**August 26 & 27, 2017**

## **Sailing Instructions**

### **1. RULES**

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

### **2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Shall be posted on the official bulletin board (glass panels on the clubhouse deck).

### **3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

3.1 Any changes to sailing instructions shall be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

3.2 Changes may be announced on the water, in which case Flag L will be displayed on the Race Committee signal boat and all boats shall approach the boat and acknowledge hearing the announcement.

### **4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole at the BSC clubhouse deck.

4.2 Signal Flag D with one sound means "The warning signal will be made not less than 45 minutes after flag D is displayed." Boats are requested not to leave the harbor until this signal is made.

### **5. SCHEDULE OF RACES**

5.1 Saturday August 26<sup>th</sup>            09:00 Competitor's Meeting on the BSC Clubhouse deck.  
   10:55 First Class Warning Signal. Other races to follow.

5.2 Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup>            09:55 First Class Warning Signal. Other races to follow. No starts after 13:00.

5.3 Flag A displayed as boats are finishing means 'No more racing today'.

### **6. CLASSES AND CLASS FLAGS**

6.1 Class flags will be assigned at the skippers meeting and posted on the official bulletin board.

6.2 Four One-Design boats shall make a one-design class. Less than four boats of a design shall compete in the Open Class by Portsmouth Yardstick scoring, together with other designs.

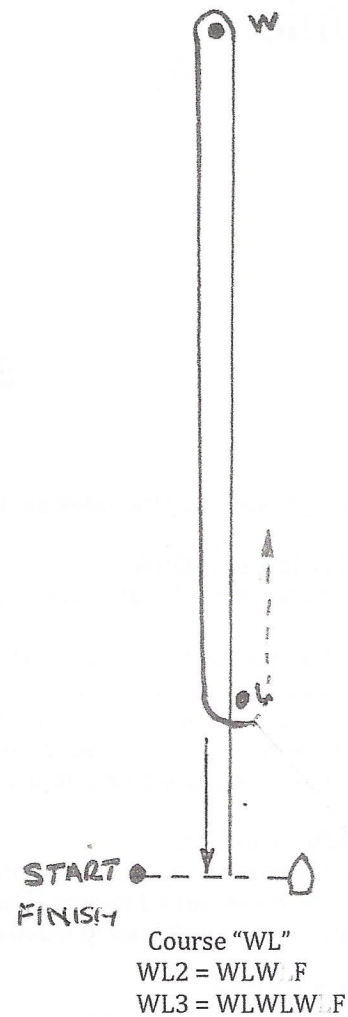
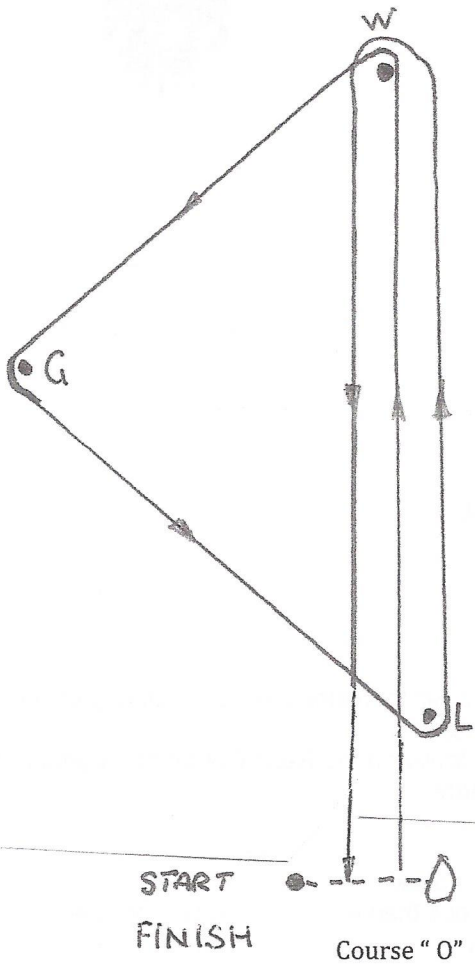
### **7. RACING AREAS**

Race courses will be located on the Neuse River and/or Upper Broad Creek.

### **8. THE COURSES**

8.1 The diagrams below show the courses, including the approximate angle between legs, the order in which the marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will post the course to be sailed and the number of laps will be displayed from the stern of the race committee signal boat by black writing on a white background.



An Offset Mark may be used at the windward mark in which case the offset mark shall be rounded after the windward mark. For courses "WL" the leeward mark may be a gate.

## 9. MARKS

9.1 The weather mark will be a 5 foot orange tetrahedron, the gybe mark will be a 5 foot orange tetrahedron and the leeward mark or gate will be 5 foot yellow tetrahedron.

9.2 The offset mark, if used, will be a red ball.

9.3 The starting mark will be a small orange tetrahedron and the finishing mark will be a small yellow tetrahedron.

## 10. THE START

The starting line shall be between orange flag on a Race Committee signal boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

## 11. THE FINISH

The finishing line shall be between orange flag on a Race Committee boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end finishing mark.

## 12. PENALTY SYSTEM

The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: "A boat may make 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. TIME LIMITS

13.1 The time limit for each Class race shall be 60 minutes.

13.2 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish



without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

#### **14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

14.1 All protests must be presented to the Race Committee in writing within 30 minutes after the Race Committee signal boat docks and sounds a horn after the last race of the day, at the Blackbeard Sailing Club.

14.2 All protests shall be heard on the same day, or as soon as practicable, at the Blackbeard Clubhouse.

#### **15. SCORING**

15.1 One completed race is required to constitute a series.

15.2 When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

#### **16. SAFETY REGULATIONS**

16.1 Before the first start each day, each boat shall sail past the stern of Race Committee signal boat and hail her sail number until acknowledged by the Race Committee.

16.2 A boat retiring from the race, shall notify the Race Committee before leaving the race course area or, if that is not possible, immediately upon arriving ashore.

16.3 Any attempt by any contestant to exercise right of way, to cross in close proximity to, or to interfere with reasonable transit of the race area by a commercial vessel, shall be grounds for disqualification. Should such protest occur, the burden of proof is on the boat allegedly interfering with said vessel.

16.4 Swing keel boats shall maintain their keels in the down position at all times.

16.5 Radio equipped boats shall monitor Channel 67 while racing.

16.6 Singlehanded sailors shall wear PFD's while racing. This changes RRS 40.

#### **17. PRIZES**

Prizes shall be awarded based on the number of boats in each class.

#### **18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 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.