# 2019 Finn North American Championship 23-25 August, 2019 Mission Bay Yacht Club SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

## 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) with US prescriptions, International Finn Class Rules, USA Finn Association Bylaws, and these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 USA Finn Association is the organizing authority. Mission Bay Yacht Club is the host club.
- 1.3 RRS 35, 42, 44.1, 44.2, 61, 62.1(a), 63.1 A4 and A5 have been changed below.
- 1.4 A boat shall not display the sail number of another boat that is racing.
- 1.5 Appendix P5 will apply. Finn Class Rule C.1.1 (1) is in effect. RRS 42.3 is changed by adding: The Race Committee (RC) may display Flag O [REPLACED BY NUMERAL PENNANT NO. 2] to signal in accordance with RRS Appendix P5, that pumping, rocking and ooching are permitted after the starting signal, except when the boat's proper course is close-hauled or above. This changes RRS 42.2(a), 42.2(b) and 42.2(c).
- 1.6 Per Finn Class Rule (A.7.2) the RC will attempt to apply SI 1.5 above in winds of 10 knots and above, measured at deck level on a RC boat at the windward mark.
- <sup>1.7</sup> Per App P5.3 (b), if the wind speed becomes less than the specified limit after Flag O [REPLACED BY NUMERAL PENNANT NO. 2] was displayed, the RC may display Flag R [REPLACED BY NUMERAL DEVINANT NO. 2] was displayed, the RC may display flag R [REPLACED BY NUMERAL DEVINANT NO. 2] was displayed, the RC may display flag R [REPLACED BY NUMERAL DEVINANT NO. 2] was displayed, the RC may display flag R [REPLACED BY NUMERAL DEVINANT NO. 2] was displayed, the RC may display flag R [REPLACED BY NUMERAL DEVINANT NO. 2] was displayed, the RC may display flag R [REPLACED BY NUMERAL DEVINANT NO. 2] was displayed.
- 1.8 PENNANT NO. 3] with repetitive sounds at a Mark to signal to a boat that RRS 42, as changed by the class rules, applies after she has passed the mark.

In these Sailing Instructions, "DP" means that the penalty for breaking this provision will be a discretionary penalty, which may be less than disqualification.

## 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located outside of the south wall of the Mission Bay Yacht Club main clubhouse.

## 3 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any changes in the sailing instructions will be posted prior to 1045 each day. Any changes to the schedule will be posted by 2000 on the day before the change takes effect.
- 3.2 Changes to the Sailing Instructions may be made on the water.

## 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole on the porch of the club.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in the Race Signals AP.

#### 5 SCHEDULE

5.1	Date	Time	Activity
	Thursday, August 22, 2019:	1000-1700	Registration and Measurement
	Friday, August 23, 2019	0800–1000	Registration
		1000	Competitor's Meeting, at porch flag pole
		Following above	Coach's Meeting
		1200	First warning signal for the first race of the day.
	Saturday, August 24, 2019	1200	First warning signal for the first race of the day.
	Sunday, August 25, 2019	1200	First warning signal for the first race of the day.

5.2 Eight races are scheduled.

## 6 CLASS FLAG

6.1 The class flag will be a white flag with the Finn logo.

### 7 RACING AREA

7.1 The racing area will be on the Pacific Ocean approximately one mile north of the Mission Bay Channel jetty.

#### 8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 The diagram in Attachment #1 shows the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2 The course number and approximate magnetic head to the weather mark will be displayed on the Start Signal boat using placards. If races are moved to Mission Bay, only the course number will be displayed.

#### 9 MARKS

9.1 Mark W, the windward mark and marks LG and RG (the gate), will be a large orange tetrahedron buoys. Mark Os (the offset), will be a small white ball buoy. If mark W is moved during a race, mark Os (the offset), will not be used for the remainder of that race.

### 10 THE START

- 10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat located at the starboard end and a yellow tetrahedron at the port end of the line.
- 10.3 A boat not starting within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS. This changes RRS 63.1, A4 and A5.

#### 11 THE FINISH

- 11.1 The finishing line for courses #3 and #5 will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on a R/C boat and an orange ball on the port side of the line.
- 11.2 The finishing line for courses #4 and #6 will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and the staff displaying an "F" flag approximately on the starting line.
- **11.3** BOATS FAILING TO FINISH WITHIN 15 MINUTES AFTER THE FIRST BOAT SAIL THE COURSE AND FINISHES WILL BE SCORED DID NOT FINISH WITHOUT A HEARING THIS CHANGES RRS 35, A4 AND A5

#### 12 PENALTIES AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 12.1 For incidents occurring in the zone of the weather mark or the leg between the weather mark and the offset mark, penalty turns may be delayed until immediately after passing the offset mark. This changes RRS 44.2.
- 12.3 RRS 44.1 is changed so the Two-Turn Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 12.4 A boat that retires from a race or does not intend to start a scheduled race shall promptly report this to the race committee and receive acknowledgement. If this is not possible, she shall promptly report her actions to a member of the Organizing Authority on shore at the launching area or to the club office. [DP]

#### 13 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

13.1 The time limits and target time for each race (in minutes) are as follows:

FIRST MARK LIMIT	RACE LIMIT	TARGET TIME
30	60	45

13.2 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored points "one more point than the number of boats that finished properly" without a hearing. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1a.

## 15 SAFETY

- 15.1 Prior to the first warning signal each day, boats are required to check-in with the signal boat. This checkin shall be done after the signal boat raises code flag L. Boats should pass the stern of the race committee signal boat on starboard tack and hail their sail number. The check-in is not considered completed until the R/C boat acknowledges. [DP]
- 15.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. [DP]

#### 16 SCORING

- 16.1 The Low Point scoring system of the RRS, Appendix A shall apply to this regatta except that when fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's score will the total of her race scores.
- 16.2 Three races shall constitute a series.
- 16.3 If a competitor does not race any of the races, they shall be removed as a competitor and the scores will be adjusted to indicate this.

#### 17 PRIZES

17.1 Prizes will be awarded per the Notice of Race.

#### 18 SUPPORT & COACH BOATS

- 18.1 Except when rendering assistance to a boat in danger at the boat's request or at the request of the race committee, support and coach boats shall stay 100 feet outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the Preparatory Signal for the first Class to start until the time the last boat finishes or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 18.2 The penalty for failing to comply with these requirements or the oral instructions of the race committee or of the protest committee will be at the discretion of the protest committee. The penalty may be imposed on any or all boats associated with the support or coach boat.

#### 19 TRASH DISPOSAL

19.1 RRS 55 applies; however, trash may be placed aboard support or official boats.

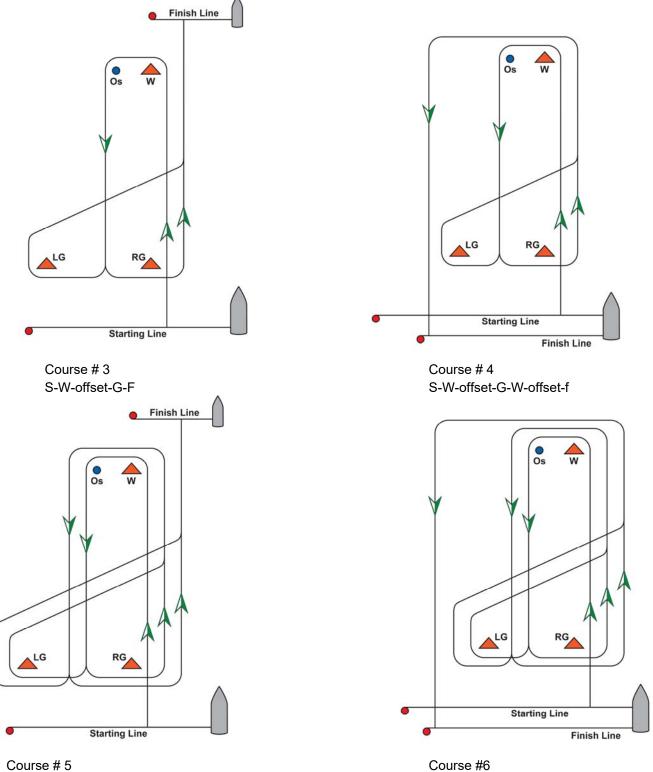
#### 20 CONTACTS

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# Attachment #1 Courses



Course # 5 S-W-offset-G-W-offset -F

S-W-offset-G-W-offset-G-W-offset-f