



Lightning and San Juan 21 Winter Series Regatta

Sailing Instructions

Organized by LMSA, Fleet 525 and SJ21 Fleet 29

1. Rules

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the Rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.

1.2. Document Governing All Sanctioned Lightning Class Championships and Temporary Amendments will apply.

http://www.lightningclass.org/content.aspx?page_id=86&club_id=93488

1.3. All competing boats and support vessels shall have on board a portable VHF radio for safety and race committee communications.

1.4. All Lightning's must have a valid measurement certificate.

1.5. Boats, gear, and sails may be inspected by the Technical Committee at any time for conformance to SJ 21 Class Rules. Competitors shall use only one hull, mainsail, spinnaker, two jibs, mast, boom, centerboard and rudder.

1.6. Lightning's may be sailed with either 2 or 3 crew members to promote participation during Covid-19. (Amends Article VIII. 1)

2. Notices to Competitors

2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted outside the LMSA Clubhouse.

3. Communications and Safety

3.1. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that are not available to all boats.

3.2. VHF channel 72 will be used to communicate with Competitors whilst afloat.

3.3. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the RC by VHF or hail before leaving the race area.

4. Changes to the Sailing Instructions

4.1. Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0830 on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on the day before it will take effect.

5. Signals Made Ashore

5.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the fence in front of the LMSA Clubhouse.

6. Schedule of Races

6.1. Friday, 22 January

~1400 Setup and informal practice.

Saturday, 23 January

0800-0930 Check in

1000 Competitors Meeting

1100 First warning signal

Sunday, 24 January

1030 First warning signal

Awards to follow

6.2. 7 races are scheduled, but more could be run at the discretion of the Race Committee.

6.3. On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1400.

7. Class Flag

7.1. The Class Flag for the Lightning Fleet will be the Lightning insignia flag.

7.2. The Class Flag for the San Juan 21 Fleet will be the SJ21 insignia flag.

8. Racing Areas

8.1. The waters of Lake Monroe

9. Courses

9.1. See addendum: Courses

9.2. Course designations: 1A, 2A, 3A

10. Marks

10.1. Windward mark **1** will be an inflatable cylinder. **1a** will be a red ball.

10.2. Leeward marks **2s** and **2p** will be inflatable cylinders.

10.3. If a single windward or leeward mark is present, boats shall leave that mark to port before proceeding to the next mark.

10.4. If the race committee changes the position of the next mark, the new mark will be a different colored inflatable cylinder.

11. The Start

11.1. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC signal vessel and a white ball.

12. Recalls

12.1. If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at the starting signal and is identified, the RC will attempt to broadcast by VHF radio their sail number. Failure to make a broadcast, or delay will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

13. The Finish

13.1. The finishing line will be between the orange flag on the RC vessel and a round mark.

14. Time Limits

14.1. Any race in which no boat rounds the windward offset mark **1a** within 45 minutes of the start shall be abandoned. All competing boats not finishing within 30 minutes of the first boat to finish the race shall be scored "Did Not Finish" (DNF).

15. Protests, Arbitration and Requests for Redress

15.1. Boats intending to protest or request redress for an incident in the racing area should notify their intention to the RC immediately after finishing or retiring from the race concerned, naming any other boat(s) involved, and await an acknowledgement. This changes RRS 61.1(a).

15.2. Protest forms will be available at the LMSA Clubhouse. Protests will be delivered to the clubhouse within the protest time limit of 90 minutes after the finish of the last boat in the last race of the day.

16. Penalty System

16.1. For all classes, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty when the incident occurs outside the "zone" of a mark.

17. Scoring

17.1. The Low Point System, RRS A4, will apply, except as follows:

17.2. Seven (7) races are scheduled for the New Year Regatta. One (1) race must be completed to constitute a regatta.

17.3. When (5) or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When (6) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

18. Prizes

18.1. Prizes will be awarded to the top three finishers in each class. The Lightning Class Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the Florida District Champion.

19. Disclaimer of Liability

19.1. In addition to RRS 4, DECISION TO RACE, the safety of a boat and her entire management shall be the responsibility of the owner(s), and an owner's representative. Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. The race organizers (organizing authority, RC, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in these events. By participating in these events, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

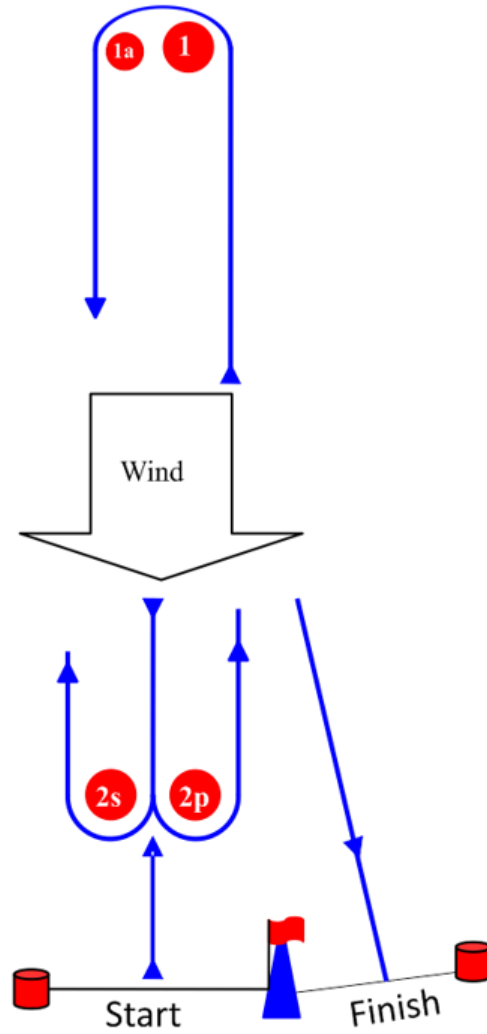
20. Further Information

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Course Addendum

*Only the course shown in the **Course Diagram below** will be used for the event.*



Possible courses	
Signal	Mark Rounding Order
1A	Start-1-1a-Finish
2A	Start-1-1a-2s/2p-1-1a-Finish
3A	Start-1-1a-2s/2p-1-1a-2s/2p-1-1a-Finish