



Tampa Bay Opti Series #4

Red White and Blue fleet

Clearwater Community Sailing Center

February 20, 2021



Sailing Instructions

1. RULES

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

1.2 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in between the shop and the bathrooms. To practice social distancing official notices will also be put on regatta networks.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except to the extent that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on the day before it will take effect.

4. Signals Made Ashore

4.1 Signals made ashore shall be made from the flag pole in the middle of the main yard.

4.2 When flag "AP" is displayed, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 45 minutes" in Race signal "AP". This changes race signal "AP".

4.3 Harbor Launch: Boats shall not launch until flag "D" is displayed on the flagpole with one sound signal.

5. Schedule of Races

5.1 Saturday February 20th

945 Harbor Start

1030 First possible warning signal

1530 Last possible warning signal

6. Racing Area

6.1 The racing area will be South East of Clearwater Pass in the Gulf of Mexico.

7. The Course And Change Of The Next Leg Of the Course

7.1 SI appendix A illustrates the course, including the general configuration of the marks, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left. The course length and exact configuration will be based on sailing conditions.

7.2. To change the next leg of the course the, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.

8. Marks

8.1 Rounding marks 1, 2S and 2P will be green tetrahedrons.

8.2 The starting pin will be a yellow cylinder.

8.3 Finish pin will be a red sphere.

9. The Start

9.1 Races will be started in accordance to RRS 26.

9.2 Class flag will be a white flag with the Opti class logo.

9.3 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange starting line flag flown from the signal boat on the starboard end and a yellow cylinder on the port end.

9.4 Race committee will not hail the sail numbers of the boats that are OCS or subject to starting penalties.

10. The Finish

10.1 The finish line will be between the staff of orange flag on the front of the signal boat and a red sphere to windward of the finish boat.

11. Time Limits

11.1 The time limit for the first boat in a race to sail the course and finish is ninety(90) minutes.

11.2 Boats failing to finish within twenty (20) minutes after the first boat in a race sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing or scored in place.

12. Protests, Scoring Reviews, Redress Requests, and Penalties.

12.1 Protest and scoring review forms are available at front desk of the CCSC.

12.2 The protest time limit is 45 minutes after the race committee signal vessel docks. The protest time limit will be posted on the official notice board as soon as practical.

13. Scoring

13.1 When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores.

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

14. Safety

14.1 Support vessels shall monitor VHF channel 63.

14.2 Competitors shall wear a US Coast Guard approved PFD at all times when on the water except for brief periods of time when removing or adding clothing.

14.3 Each boat shall have a secure loop in the end of its painter.

14.3 Support vessel operators shall wear the kill cord at all times. Failure to do so may result in expulsion from the regatta.

15. Measurement

14.1 It is the responsibility of each competitor to make sure that their boat abides by IODA class measurement rules.

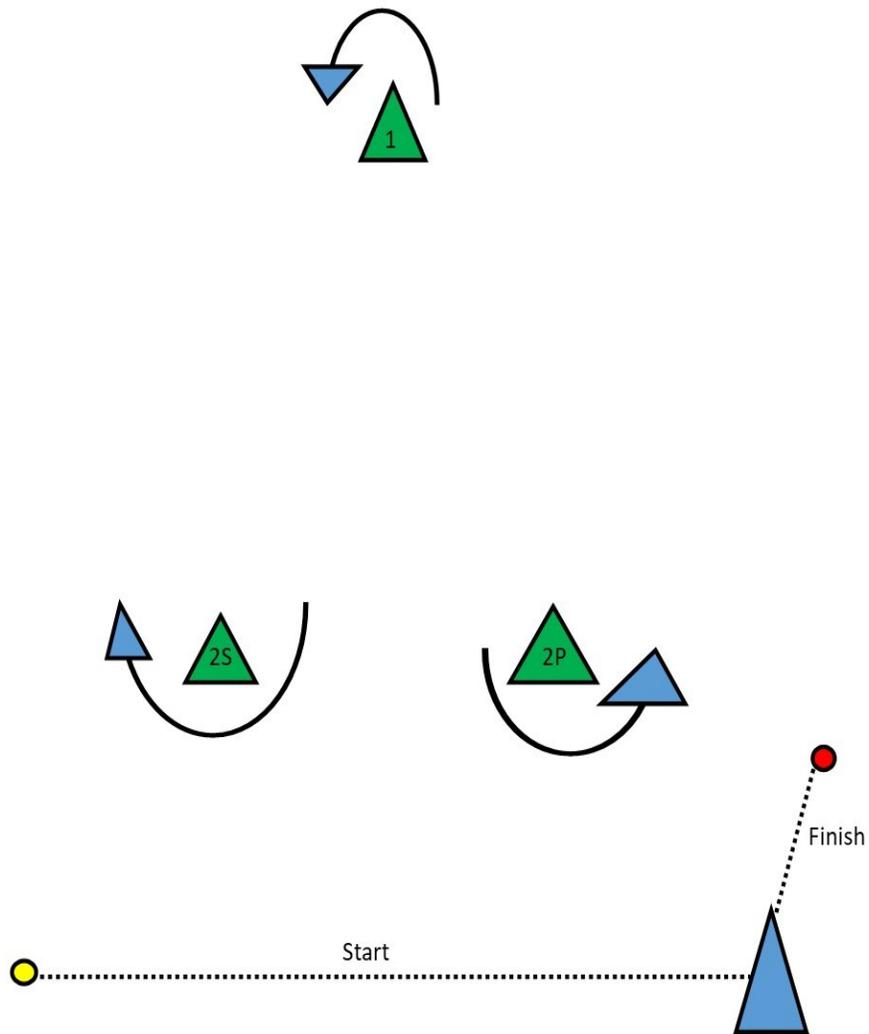
16. Disclaimer Of Liability

16.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to race. The organizing authority., the race committee, officers and board of directors of CCSC 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.

17. Prizes

17.1 No prizes will be given by the organizing authority.

Appendix A



Course	Rounding Order
W2	Start- 1 -2s/p -Finish
W4	Start- 1 - 2s/p - 1 - 2s/p - Finish