



2021 Sailing Instructions Tommy Whiteside's Regatta

Columbia Sailing Club
292 Shuler Road, Columbia SC 29212
May 1-2, 2021

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (RRS)*, the Prescriptions of US SAILING, this Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions, and any amendments thereto.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS & INFORMATION MEETING(S)

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board, inside the CSC clubhouse.
- 2.2 There will be a competitors' meeting on May 1st @ 1100 hrs.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not less than 60 minutes prior to the first scheduled race on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 0600 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on main flag mast on lake side of Club
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes in race signal AP. *This changes Race Signal AP.*

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 The scheduled race information is given in the table below.
- 5.2 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1400 hrs.
- 5.3

Day	Date	Classes	First Warning	Number of races
Saturday	May 1st, 2021	All	1200	Determined by RC
Sunday	May 2nd, 2021	All	1000	Determined by RC

6 CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 Class flag assignments will be as follows:
 - Code flag "1" – Low D-PN
 - Code flag "2" – High D-PN
 - Code flag "3" Wetas/VX One/U 20

7 THE COURSES

- 7.1 EMSA courses will be used.
- 7.2 All marks left to port, except gates.

8 MARKS

- 8.1 Marks A1, B, and C shall be Orange Tetrahedrons. Marks G and A2 will be Orange tetrahedrons
- 8.2 New marks, as provided in instruction will be Orange tetrahedrons
- 8.3 The starting and finishing marks will be a pin with orange or red flag.
- 8.4 If a barging (keep away) buoy is used at the RC signal boat, neither the buoy nor its line shall rank as part of the boat, and neither will rank as an obstruction.

9 THE START

- 9.1 The starting line will be between an orange flag on the signal boat and a pin with orange or red flag
- 9.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made, shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

- 9.3 A boat starting later than four minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. *This changes RRS A4.*
- 9.4 Multiple Open classes may be started together at the discretion of the Race Committee.

10 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 10.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 10.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard.

11 THE FINISH

- 11.1 The finishing line will be between an orange flag on the signal boat and a pin with orange or red flag

PENALTY SYSTEM

Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty

12 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 12.1 Time limits and target times are as follows:

Class	Race Time Limit	A Mark Time Limit
All	60 minutes	30 minutes

- 12.2 If no boat has passed Mark 1 (the initial weather mark) within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned.
- 12.3 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored TLE without a hearing.
- 12.4 FINISHING ON THE WATER: Boats may be finished on the course at the discretion of the RC. The Race Committee determines the method and order of finishing. *This changes RRS 35 and A4.*

13 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 13.1 Protest forms are available at the official notice board. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 13.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the signal boat has docked after the last race of the day and the time limit is posted on the official notice board.
- 13.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, the location of which shall be posted on the official notice board, beginning at the time posted on the official notice board.
- 13.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 13.5 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
 - (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes RRS 66.
- 13.6 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. *This changes RRS 62.2.*

14 SCORING

- 14.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 14.2
 - (a) When three or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When four or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

15 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 15.1 CHECK IN: Boats are requested to check in by hailing their sail numbers to the RC signal boat before the start of the first race each day (and the first race following any postponement ashore).
- 15.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

16 TRASH DISPOSAL

Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.

17 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

18 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded at the conclusion of racing on the last day.

19 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk, See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

20 SPECIAL NOTES

- 20.1 On the water, no questions will be answered by the race committee.
- 20.2 Any boat receiving 'hands on' assistance from rescue/mark boats will be scored Did Not Finish. *This changes rule A5.* The race committee may decide when a boat or crew needs assistance.
- 20.3 SPORTSMANSHIP: The race committee may request redress for competitors who exhibit extraordinary sportsmanship.

ADDITIONAL SAFETY NOTES TO ALL SAILORS

GENERAL

If wind, wave, or water conditions make you doubtful of your ability to handle the conditions, please retire from the race

Appendix A – Illustrating the Course

Emsa Standard Courses

No.	Course	Finish	Options
1	(S) A C A	(F) Downwind	1 G 1 O 1 GO
2	(S) A C A C A	(F) Downwind	2 G 2 O 2 GO
3	(S) A C A B C	(F) Upwind	3 O
4	(S) A C A B C A	(F) Downwind	4 O
5	(S) A C	(F) Upwind	5 G 5 O 5 GO
6	(S) A C A C	(F) Upwind	6 G 6 O 6 GO
7	(S) A C A B C A C	(F) Upwind	7 O

S = start, A = weather mark, B = reaching mark, C = leeward mark, G = gate, F = finish, O = offset mark is used.

"B" MARK LOCATION: The Race Committee will endeavor to locate "B" Mark, the reaching mark, at either the windward or leeward end of the course approximately 90 to 105 degrees abeam of the windward or leeward mark.