

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing ("RRS") and the VX One Class Rules (www.vxone.org).
- 1.2 The following prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association (US Sailing) will not apply: 63.2
- 1.3 RRS 40.1 applies; PFD's are required at all times while on the water.

2. ADVERTISING

Boats *may* be required to display advertising (bow stickers) chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS & COMPETITORS' MEETINGS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the deck of the clubhouse.
- 3.2 Refer to SI 6 for the scheduled competitors' meetings, to be held at The Oklahoma City Boat Club. Additional meetings may be scheduled.

4. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not less than 60 minutes prior to the first scheduled race (or removal of AP ashore, whichever is later) on the day it will take effect.
- 4.2 Any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.
- 4.3 Oral changes may be provided on the water. RC will display L over C to indicate an oral change to the sailing instructions is being communicated. In addition, as a courtesy, oral change may also be announced on VHF 68.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the Signal Flagpole at the Oklahoma City Boat Club.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in race signal AP.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 A maximum of twelve (12) races are scheduled.
- 6.2 Four (4) races are scheduled per day. One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that the series does not become more than one race ahead of schedule.
- 6.3 SCHEDULE

Wednesday, September 22nd, 2021

- 0900 – 1700 Check-in, Measurement (Clubhouse for sail measurement and hoist for boat weigh in)
- 1800 – 1930 Practice Race
- 1930 – 21:00 Brats and Dark n Stormy "Fleet Tradition"

Thursday, September 23rd, 2021

- 0900-1030 Breakfast at the Oklahoma City Boat Club
- 1000 Competitors' Meeting
- 1100 First Warning Signal, additional races will follow
- After Racing – Social at Club House Deck, Dinner

Friday, September 24th, 2021

- 0900-1030 Breakfast at the Oklahoma City Boat Club
- 1000 Competitors' Meeting
- 1100 First Warning Signal, additional races will follow

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After Racing – Social at Club House Deck, Dinner

Saturday, September 25th, 2021

0900-1030 Breakfast at OCBC Club House

1000 Competitors' Meeting

1100 First Warning Signal, additional races will follow

After Racing – Social and Awards Ceremony

7. CLASS FLAGS

The class flag will be the VX ONE class insignia.

8. RACING AREA

Races will be sailed at Lake Hefner, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

9. THE COURSES

9.1 The course will be windward/leeward in configuration. A windward offset and leeward gate will be used. Refer to Exhibit A.

9.2 If no windward offset mark is set, boats shall sail directly from the windward mark to the leeward mark(s) or finish.

9.3 If a single leeward mark is set instead of a gate, the mark shall be left to port.

9.5 No later than the warning signal, the RC shall announce on VHF 68 the course designation, distance and the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

10. MARKS

10.1 Start and finish marks will be orange spheres.

10.2 Marks W, LS and LP will be yellow tetrahedrons.

10.3 The offset mark will be a small yellow tetrahedron.

10.4 Change marks will be orange tetrahedrons.

11. THE START

11.1 The start will use RRS 26

11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC Signal Boat at the starboard end and an orange sphere marking the port end of the line.

11.3 A boat that does not start within four minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. *This changes RRS 63.1, A4 and A5.*

11.4 As a courtesy, the RC shall attempt to announce OCS boats via **VHF 68**. Neither failure of the RC to make the announcement, nor the order of the announcement, nor failure of a boat to hear the announcement shall be grounds for redress by a boat. *This changes RRS 62.1(a).*

12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

12.1 The RC may **adjust** any leg of the course by moving mark(s) up to 010° in bearing and/or 0.1 nm in length without a signal or change of mark color. *This changes RRS 33.*

12.2 To **change** the next leg of the course, the RC 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.

13. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the RC Signal Boat and the course side of the orange sphere on the port end of the finish line. Refer to Exhibit A for locations.

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 US Sailing Prescription Appendix V will apply, which reads as follows:

- **V1: PENALTY AT THE TIME OF AN INCIDENT** The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while racing. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'

- **V2: PENALTY TAKEN AFTER A RACE** After a race, a boat that may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while racing may take a Post-Race Penalty for that incident. A boat takes the penalty by delivering a written notice to the race office that identifies the race number and when and where the incident occurred. The penalty shall be a 30% Scoring Penalty, calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rules 44.1(a) and (b) apply, and the penalty shall not be taken after a protest hearing involving the incident has begun

14.2 Penalties for infractions within the zone of the windward mark or on the offset leg may be delayed and taken as soon as possible on the downwind leg. *This changes RRS 44.2.*

15. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

15.1 The target time for the first boat to finish each race is 40-45 minutes. This shall not be grounds for redress by a boat. *This changes RRS 62.1(a).*

15.2 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within twenty-five (25) minutes of their start, or if no boat finishes within seventy (70) minutes of their start, the race shall be abandoned.

15.3 Boats failing to finish within thirty (30) minutes after the first boat of the fleet sails the course and finishes, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE), defined as the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus one (1), without a hearing. *This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.*

16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

16.1 Request for Hearing forms are available at the Oklahoma City Boat Club clubhouse. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the designated representative of the Protest Committee at the clubhouse, located at the Oklahoma City Boat Club within the protest time limit.

16.2 The protest time limit is 45 minutes after the RC Signal Boat docks at the end of each day.

16.3 Requests for Scoring Review (including OCS) shall be filed within the protest time limit on forms available at the clubhouse at the Oklahoma City Boat Club. Such a request will be reviewed by the RC before being scheduled for a hearing by the Protest Committee. If unresolved, it shall be considered a request for redress and will be considered to have met the protest time limit. *This changes RRS 63.1.*

16.4 Notices will be posted within 10 minutes after expiration of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at the Oklahoma City Boat Clubhouse.

16.5 Breaches of SI 18, 19 or 21 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat, this changes RRS 60.1(a).

16.6 After a hearing, penalties for breaking rules other than those of Part 2 that do not specify a penalty, shall be at the discretion of the protest committee and may be less than disqualification.

17. SCORING

17.1 Three completed races constitute a series.

17.2 When fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

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

18. SAFETY CHECK IN / OUT ASHORE

18.1 Boats are required to check in by hailing their **bow number** to the RC Signal Vessel before the start of the first race each day.

18.2 A boat that retires from a race or leaves the race area between races shall notify the RC by hail or VHF 68 as soon as possible.

18.3 A boat unable to notify the RC shall inform the dock staff upon returning to shore.

19. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

19.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the RC.

19.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the RC. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

20. OFFICIAL VESSELS

RC vessels will display RC flags.

21. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

21.1 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.

21.2 The RC will monitor and make announcements on **VHF 68** and competitors shall monitor that channel.

21.3 No communication among RC vessels overheard by a competitor shall be an improper action, nor grounds for redress.

21.4 The RC will use VHF 68 to communicate information including the location of the starting area, countdown to the start, OCS bow/sail numbers, General Recalls and Postponements. These communications are a courtesy only. Failure of the RC to make, or failure of a boat to hear these broadcasts shall not constitute grounds for granting redress. *This changes RRS 62.1.*

22. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded as described in the NOR.

23. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the Regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority, Race Committee, Protest Committee, The Oklahoma City Boat Club, State of Oklahoma, sponsors, volunteers, or any other affiliated organization or official will not be responsible for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. By participating in this event, each competitor, or in the case of minors, each competitor's parent or guardian agrees to release the Regatta Organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

24. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of US\$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

25. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

25.1 Boats shall be afloat by the end of registration.

25.2 Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the TC.

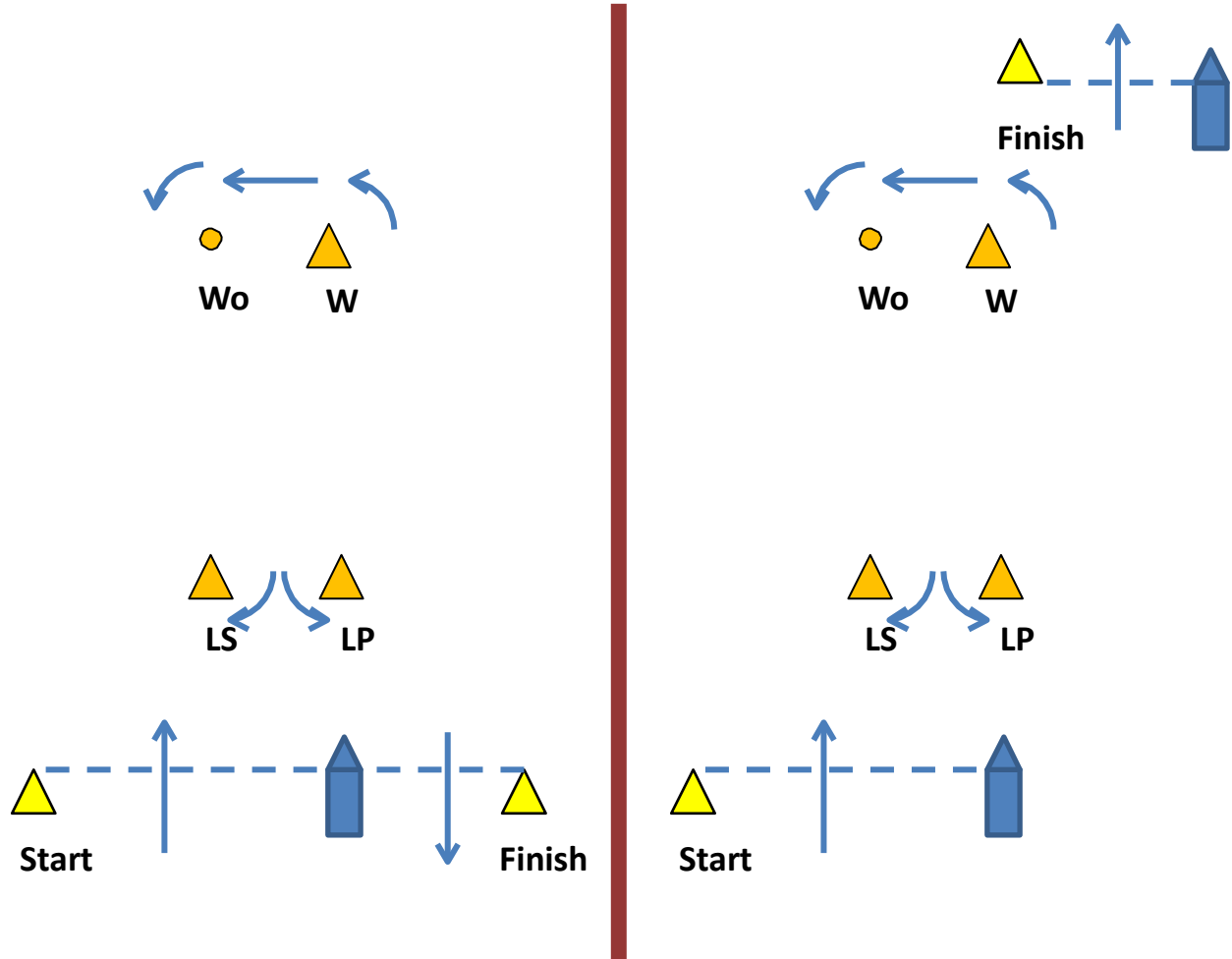
25.3 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats from the end of registration until the end of the regatta.

26. FURTHER INFORMATION

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EXHIBIT "A" – Course Diagrams



Course	Mark Sequence
2	Start-W-Wo-Finish
4	Start, W, Wo, LS/LP, W, Wo, Finish

Course	Mark Sequence
3	Start, W, Wo, LS/LP, Finish
5	Start, W, Wo, LS/LP, W, Wo, LS/LP, Finish

