

2022 MC Scow and Melges 15 Regional Tune-up Regatta

April 30, 2022

Organizing Authority: Toms River Yacht Club

## Sailing Instructions

### 1. RULES

- 1.1. This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The regatta is organized under the authority of the Toms River Yacht Club (TRYC).
- 1.3. competitors shall wear a properly secured personal flotation device (USCG approved) at all times while afloat, except briefly while changing clothes.
- 1.4. If there is a conflict between languages the English text shall take precedence.

### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the whiteboard easel on the lower level of the Clubhouse.

### 3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. The signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole south end of the property.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in the race signal AP.

### 5. SCHEDULE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Activity</u>
<b><u>Friday April 29th</u></b>	1800 – 1930	Pre-registration, Dining room bar open for sailors

#### **Saturday April 30th**

Late check-in.	0800-0900.
Competitors' Meeting	0900
Harbor Gun	0930
First Scheduled Warning MC Scow	
	1030, racing to follow
First Scheduled Warning Melges 15	
	1035, racing to follow

5 races are scheduled

**No Warning after this time 1500**

### 6. CLASS FLAG

The class flags will be the MC Scow fleet class flag and the Melges 15 fleet class flag.

### 7. RACING AREA

Races will be sailed on the "Wanamaker Course" at the mouth of the Toms River, on the TOMS River or south of the Mathis Bridge.

## 8. THE COURSE

**8.1.** The diagrams in Attachment 1 show the courses, including the angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left. The courses will be windward-leeward – (W) + the number of legs, (Ws) + the number of legs, or (L) + the number of legs.

**8.2.** No later than the warning signal, the course designation will be posted by the RC.

**8.3** If a gate Mark ( 2s or 2p) is missing, the remaining Mark shall be left to port.

## 9. MARKS

**9.1.** Rounding Marks will be orange inflatable balls. **Course Ws** rounding mark will be a **yellow** inflatable tetrahedron.

**9.2.** Mark Wa (offset) will be a small orange ball. (Also applies to course L)

## 10. THE START

**10.1.** Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made five (5) minutes before the starting signal.

**10.2.** The **start/finish line for the MC Scow fleet**, will be between a race Committee Signal Boat displaying an orange flag and a yellow inflatable mark at the port end. The **start line for the Melges 15 fleet** will also be as stated above.

**10.3.** The RC will attempt to hail premature starters. Failure to hail, the order or timing of the hail, or the failure to hear the hail will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1.

## 11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

**11.1** To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the gate or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in subsequent change, a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

**11.2** If the Race Committee decides to change the axis of the course, and the change is less than fifteen (15) degrees, it may do so without making any signals indicating that a change is being made. Additional Marks may be moved to maintain the course shape. This changes RRS 33.

## 12. THE FINISH

The finishing line: **MC Scow fleet** (start/finish) will be between a staff displaying a orange flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of a yellow inflatable Mark.

**M15 fleet** will be between a blue flag on the **starboard** side of the Race Committee signal boat and the course side of a nearby yellow mark.

## 13. TIME LIMITS

Time limits are as follows:

**13.1** A boat starting later than five (5) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A-5.

**13.2** The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish will be one (1) hour. If no boat completes 1 leg in thirty (30) minutes, the race shall be abandoned.

**13.3** Any boats that do not finish within ten (10) minutes of the first finisher will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, 63.1, A-4.

## 14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

**14.1.** Boats shall report their intent to protest and the number of the boat they intend to protest to the RC signal boat upon finishing and remain in the area until acknowledged by the RC. The protesting boat shall not hinder any boats still finishing.

**14.2.** Protest forms are available in the Toms River Yacht Club Regatta Room. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

**14.3.** The protest time limit is sixty (60) minutes after the race committee finish boat docks after the last race of the day. The docking time and official starting time for protests to be lodged will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

**14.4.** Hearings will be heard as posted.

**14.5.** A request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered within the protest time limit or within thirty (30) minutes of the incident, whichever is later. This changes RRS 62.2.

## **15. SCORING**

**15.1.** One (1) race is required to constitute a series.

**15.2.** A maximum of five (5) races will be sailed.

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

## **16. SAFETY REGULATIONS**

**16.1.** Check-in Procedures: Prior to the warning signal for the first race of the day in which it intends to compete, each boat shall check in by sailing past the stern of the race committee signal boat, on starboard, hail her sail number and obtain verbal acknowledgement from the Race Committee.

**16.2.** A boat that retires from a race or leaves the racing area between races shall notify the race committee Signal Boat or a patrol boat as soon as possible.

## **17. REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT**

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

## **18. SUPPORT BOATS**

**18.1** Coach/support boats shall carry a working VHF radio and monitor the race on channel **71**

**18.2** Support boats may be required to act as safety boats upon instruction from a race official.

## **19. TRASH DISPOSAL**

Trash may be placed aboard support or official boat

## **20. BERTHING**

Boats may be kept at the regatta site for April 30<sup>th</sup> only unless written permission given by TRYC

## **21. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

Except in 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.

## **22. PRIZES**

Prizes will be given as follow

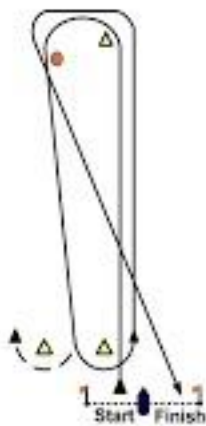
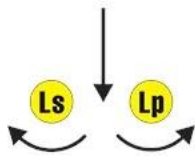
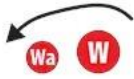
- a) Top three finishers of each fleet
- b) Highest placed Youth (age 19 by the end of 2022)

## **23. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority and The International Sunfish Class Association 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.

**Attachment 1 – COURSES – W – Ws – L**

Downwind Finish  
w/opt. Offset "Wa",  
opt. Short Windward "Ws",  
opt. Gate "Ls/Lp"  
(even number courses)



**Course L – Downwind Finish - Starboard**