



## 76th JUNIOR LIPTON CHALLENGE

July 22-24, 2021  
Fairhope Yacht Club  
Fairhope, Alabama

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Organizing Authority: Gulf Yachting Association (GYA)

#### 1 RULES

1.1. The regatta shall be governed by the rules as defined in the current edition of The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the GYA Regulations for Sanctioned Events.

1.2. Appendix T and V1 shall be in effect.

1.3. RRS 35, 62.1(a), 63.1, A5.1, A5.2, A8, A10, and Race Signal AP are altered herein.

1.4. The US Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 63.1 and 63.2 are deleted.

#### 2 NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

2.1. Notices to competitors shall be posted on the official notice board located next to the tiki bar under the club house.

2.2. Any questions regarding the SI's shall be submitted in writing to the regatta/registration desk and written answers shall be posted on the official notice board. This does not preclude questions from being asked at competitors meeting.

#### 3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the SIs shall be posted 60 minutes before the scheduled start of the first race of the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races shall be posted by 1900 on the day before it will take effect.

#### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1. Signals made ashore shall be displayed from the flag pole on the West side of club house.

4.2. When flag "AP" is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes." This changes race signal AP.

#### 5 SCHEDULE

##### Friday, July 22

###### Clinic Schedule

1000-1200 Rigging and Tuning. Help available by Sam Vasquez

1230-1330 Briefing by top GYA Viper Sailors

1400- 1730 On water coaching and Practice race.

1800-1930. Cookout and Debrief

##### Saturday, July 23

0900-1030 Check-in - FYC Ballroom

0900 Breakfast available -FYC Dining Room

1100 Competitors' meeting - FYC Ballroom

1225 First warning signal of the day, additional races to follow

1830 Dinner & Pool Party

##### Sunday, July 24

0800. Breakfast available - FYC Dining Room

0955. First warning signal of the day, additional races to follow

1500 No warning signal after this time

ASAP Trophy presentation - FYC Ballroom

## **6 CREW CHANGES AND CREW LISTS**

6.1. Crew Changes: The Race Committee (RC) asks that teams change crew on the water, in the vicinity of the start/finish area. Teams without support boats shall notify the check-in desk or the PRO during if not before the competitors' meeting so that arrangements may be made. The RC will discourage crews from returning to the harbor to change crew.

6.2. Crew List: Per GYA Regulation 17.7, team captains, or their designees, shall file crew lists each day before the end of protest time limit. The crew list report shall be submitted to the protest desk.

## **7 CLASS FLAG**

The GYA burgee shall be the class flag.

## **8 RACING AREA**

The racing area will be on Mobile Bay, in front of Fairhope Yacht Club.

## **9 CHECK IN**

Prior to the warning signal for the first start of each day, each boat shall sail past the stern of the RC signal boat and hail her sail number until acknowledged by the RC. The penalty for not complying with this requirement may be a scoring penalty.

## **10 COURSES**

10.1. The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

10.2. No later than the warning signal, the RC signal boat shall display the course to be sailed, and approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

## **11 MARKS**

11.1. Marks 1 and 2g (leeward gate) will be orange tetrahedrons.

11.2. Offset mark 1a will be an orange sphere.

11.3. New marks per SI 13 will be yellow tetrahedrons.

11.4. The finish mark will be an orange tetrahedron.

## **12 THE START**

12.1. Races shall be started in accordance with RRS26.

12.2. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC signal boat at the starboard end of the line and a staff displaying an orange flag on the pin end boat.

12.3. A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal shall be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1, A5.1 and A5.2.

12.4. The RC may hail boats that are OCS. The failure of any boat to hear the hail, an untimely hail of OCS boats, failure to hail any boats, and the order of the boats in the hail shall not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

## **13 CHANGE OF COURSE**

To change the next leg of the course, the RC shall set a new mark (or move the finish line) and remove the original mark as soon as practical. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it shall be replaced by an original mark.

## **14 THE FINISH**

14.1. The finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a RC boat and a near by mark.

14.2. Flag "A" displayed, with no sound, by the RC signal boat while boats are finishing means "No more racing today."

## **15 TIME LIMITS**

15.1. The time limit for the first boat to reach the first weather mark shall be 30 minutes.

15.2. The time limit of the first boat to sail the course and finish shall be 90 minutes.

15.3. Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

## **16 PROTESTS and REQUEST FOR REDRESS**

16.1. Protest forms shall be available at the protest desk located in the FYC Ballroom. Protests, requests for redress, and request for reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

16.2. The protest time limit shall be 60 minutes after the RC signal boat docks or the RC signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The protest time limit shall be posted on the official notice board.

16.3. Notices will be posted as soon as possible, but no later than 20 minutes after the protest time limit, to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

16.4. Hearings will be held in the Jubilee Room.

## **17 SCORING**

17.1. The Low Point Scoring System of RRS A4 will apply, except that no races scored will be excluded.

17.2. A score of TLE will be two points more than the last boat to finish with in the time limit, but not worse than last place.

17.3. Ties will be decided in accordance with GYA Regulation 20.5. This changes RRS A8.

## **18 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

18.1. Each competitor is solely responsible for his and her personal safety. It shall be the sole responsibility of each boat to decide whether or not to start or to continue to race. A boat which retires from a race shall notify the RC before leaving the race area, or if that is not possible, at the first reasonable opportunity.

18.2. All competitors shall wear, at all times, a US Coast Guard PFD, dependent 100% on foam for flotation, except for brief periods of time while adding or removing clothing. All requirements of GYA Regulations Section D shall be followed.

18.3. In the interest of safety or to avoid unreasonable delays, the RC, at its discretion and with concurrence of the Judges, may order a capsized boat rescued and scored Did Not Finish (DNF).

## **19 SUPPORT BOATS**

Team leaders, coaches and other support persons shall stay at least 100 yards outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or retired or the RC signals a postponement, general recall, or abandonment. [DP]

## **20 RESPONSIBILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority and host club will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after this regatta.

## **21 TROPHIES**

Trophies shall be awarded in accordance with GYA Regulations 20.6 and 20.7.

## 22 CONTACT INFORMATION

Regatta Chairs: Randy Fitz-Wainwright, fitz1350@bellsouth.net, 251-377-8419  
 Anne Hartwell, amhhartwell@yahoo.com, 251-490-4550

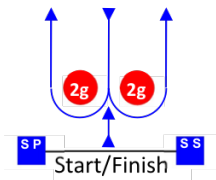
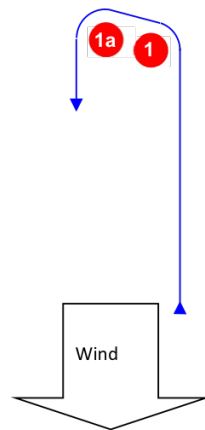
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Chief Judge: Dwight Leblanc, Leblanc@chaffe.com

GYA Chief Measurer: William Zehner, wzehner@dogsmith.com, 850-628-4047

### Attachment A – Course Diagrams

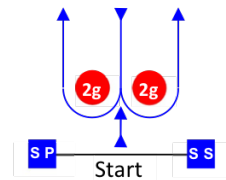
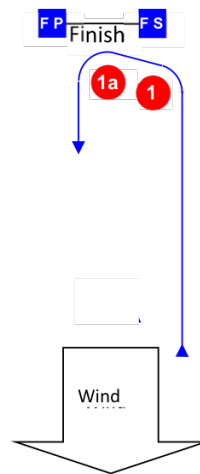
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#### Course: Leeward finish

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
<b>L4</b>	Start – 1 – 1a – 2g – 1 – 1a – Finish
<b>L6</b>	Start – 1 – 1a – 2g – 1 – 1a – 2g – 1 – 1a – Finish

**W**



#### Course: Windward Finish

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
<b>W3</b>	Start – 1 – 1a – 2g – Finish
<b>W5</b>	Start – 1 – 1a – 2g – 1 – 1a – 2g – Finish