



2024 Blackbeard Gurganus One Design Regatta

Hosting the Flying Scot Atlantic Coast Championships

August 23 – 25, 2024

Sailing Instructions

The Organizing Authority of the Series is The Neuse Yacht Racing Association and Blackbeard Sailing Club, with sponsorship support from Bridgeton Boatworks.

The notation “[NP]” in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a). The notation “[DP]” in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of the rule may be less than DSQ at the discretion of the protest committee. This modifies RRS 64.2.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, including the US Sailing prescriptions, and the NoR and any amendments thereto.
- 1.2 The Alternative Penalties of Appendix V1 will be in effect, however for multihulls only, a one-turn penalty applies if a rule is broken in the zone. This changes RRS 44.1.
- 1.3 Sections T2, T3 & T4 of RRS Appendix T Arbitration apply

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board which will be on the windows at the eastern end of the BSC Clubhouse.

3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board, and may be posted on Regatta Network, before 0800 on the day they will take effect.
- 3.2 Any change to the schedule of races will be posted on the official notice board, and may be posted on Regatta Network, by 2000 on the day before they will take effect.
- 3.3 While on the water, the Race Committee may make verbal changes to the Sailing instructions. To do so they shall display Flag L and advise, via VHF radio channel 78A or verbally within hail for competitors without radios, all competitors affected by the change and get their acknowledgement.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the BSC Flagstaff on the eastern deck of the BSC Clubhouse.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, 1 minute is replaced by “not less than 30 minutes” in Race Signals.

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Friday August 23:
 - 5.1.1 **1730** Welcome cookout at the Pavilion.
- 5.2 Saturday August 24:
 - 5.2.1 Competitors’ meeting at **0930** on the deck at BSC.
 - 5.2.2 The first signal will be at **1125** - additional races are intended to follow.
 - 5.2.3 No warning signal will be made after **1530**.
 - 5.2.4 **1830** Dinner at BSC clubhouse
- 5.3 Sunday August 25:
 - 5.3.1 First signal at **1025** - additional races are intended to follow.
 - 5.3.2 No warning signal will be made after **1300**.
 - 5.3.3 Awards ceremony at BSC clubhouse as soon as practicable after racing.

6. CLASSES and CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 A minimum of three One Design boats registered by the end of early registration will constitute a Class.
- 6.2 Less than three OD boats registered will be combined and race under the Portsmouth Yardstick DPN.
- 6.3 Each class flag will be the class insignia or as announced at the Competitors' meeting.

7. THE COURSES

- 7.1 The courses are shown in Attachment 1. They indicate the marks, the order in which they shall be rounded, and the side on which they are to be left.
- 7.2 Classes will sail the course as indicated on the Scratch Sheet and announced at the Competitors' Meeting.

8. MARKS

- 8.1 For the Outer Course the windward and leeward marks will be 5' yellow inflatables.
- 8.2 For the Inner Course the windward and leeward marks will be 5' orange inflatables. There will be an orange offset mark at the weather mark.
- 8.2 The pin end of the starting line will be a 3' orange cylindrical inflatable. The pin ends of the finish lines will be a 3' yellow inflatable for the Outer Course, and a 3' orange inflatable for the Inner Course.

9. THE START

- 9.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel on the starboard end and the course side of the starting mark on the port end.
- 9.2 [NP]Boats not in sequence to start shall keep clear of the starting area and boats that are in sequence. Boats which violate this rule will be warned once. Failure to keep clear a second time will result in a DSQ by the race committee without a hearing. This adds to RRS 60.2 and changes RRS 63.1
- 9.3 If a class is in sequence while other classes are sailing a changed course, the RC will fly Code Flag "C" indicating that the course for the class in sequence is to round the change mark.

10. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 10.1 To change the next leg of the course for Outer Course, the race committee will lay a new yellow mark with a red band (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 the original mark.
- 10.2 If the course is to be changed for the Inner Course, the new mark will be an orange inflatable with a black band with no offset mark. When, in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by the original mark with no offset.

11. THE FINISH

There will be two finish lines, each of which will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee vessel on the starboard end and the course side of a 3' inflatable on the port end. The color of the 3' inflatable finish mark will correspond to the course being sailed.

12. TIME LIMITS

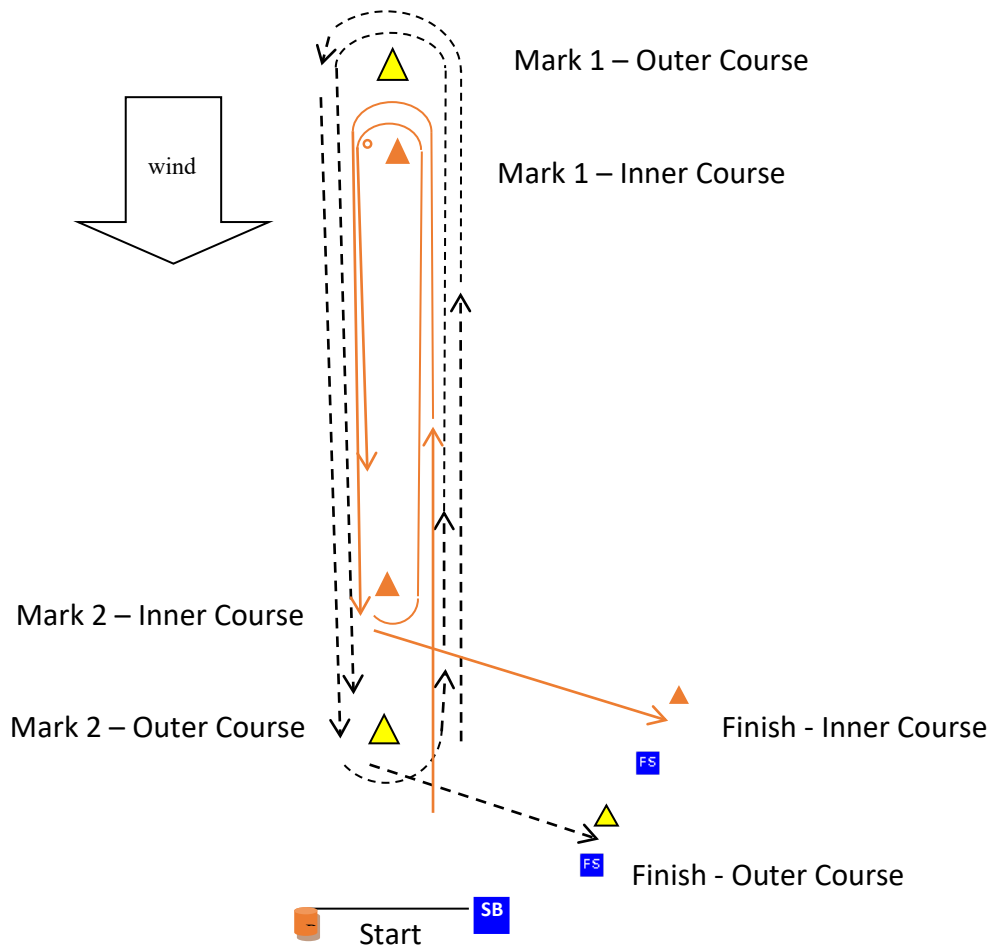
- 12.1 Time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish is 60 minutes. The Finishing Window (time limit) for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes is 15 minutes.
- 12.2 Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window shall be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes [RRS A4 and A5](#).

13. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 13.1 **If you intend to file a protest, you shall so advise the Race Committee as you finish.** This adds to RRS 61. Protest forms are available for you to download from US Sailing and may be available at BSC. Please be prepared. Protests and requests for redress, or reopening of a hearing, shall be delivered to the Race Committee no later than 30 minutes after the Signal Boat docks and sounds its horn.
- 13.2 To inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses, and the location of where the hearings will be held, notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit.
- 13.3 Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee, or protest committee will be posted pursuant to [RRS 61.1\(b\)](#).

ATTACHMENT 1
Course Diagram

Course 4 – Windward-Leeward



Course: Windward-Leeward Offset Finish

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
4	Start – 1 – 2 – 1 – 2 - Finish

Mark	Description
1	5' Yellow Tetrahedron (no offset)
2	5' Yellow Tetrahedron
1	5' Orange Tetrahedron (includes an offset)
2	5' Orange Tetrahedron
Starting mark starboard end	Staff with an Orange Flag on Signal Boat
Starting mark port end	Orange Cylinder
Finishing marks starboard end	Staff with a Blue Flag on Finish Boat (2)
Finishing mark port end	3' Yellow Tetrahedron
Finishing mark port end	3' Orange Tetrahedron