

**E Scow Midwinters Regatta**  
March 1-2, 2025  
OA Sarasota Sailing Squadron  
1717 Ken Thompson Parkway  
Sarasota Florida  
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Amended Supplement to the Standard Sailing Instructions  
(RRS Appendix S)

**1 Rules**

- 1.1 This event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing(RRS) 2025-2028
- 1.2 In the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.
- 1.3 Rule 29.1 is changed as follows "...with one sound. Additionally as soon as practical, the Race Committee shall attempt to hail via the competitor VHF channel the list of boats identified that shall comply with RRS 29.1"

**2 Notices to Competitors**

- 2.3 The Official Note Board will be located at the Pavilion at Sarasota Sailing Squadron.

**3. Changes to Sailing Instructions**

- 3.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 10:00 on the day that they will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20:00 on the day before it will take effect.

**4. Signals Made Ashore**

- 4.2 The flagpole is located on the front/bayside lawn of the Sarasota Sailing Squadron.
- 4.3 When the flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes".

**5 Schedule of Races**

- 5.3 Eight races are scheduled. Approximate times of events are:

Friday, Feb 28	Practice Race	Warning	14:00 tentative	
Saturday, Mar 1	Races 1-4	First Warning	11:30	
Sunday, Mar 2	Races 5-8	First Warning	11:00	No warning after 15:00

**6 Class Flags and Radio Communication**

- 6.2 The Class Flag is the E Scow burgee, or insignia on a plain background.
- 6.3 The VHF Competitor channel will be 71. Competitors cannot monitor any additional channels.
- 6.4 The following communications may be made by the Race Committee on Channel 71
  - 1. Wind and weather conditions
  - 2. Intentions for the days racing
  - 3. Requests to come to the racing area
  - 4. Race course information
  - 5. Starting sequence information
  - 6. Change of course information

**6.4 continued:**

- 7. OCS boats under RRS 29.1 or 29.2
- 8. Any other pertinent information
- 9. While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that is not freely available to all boats.

**7 The Courses**

7.3 Courses will be LA 2, WA 2 or WA 3. Drawings for these courses are attached. The courses may include leeward gate marks, rather than single leeward marks.

**8 Marks**

8.1 Mark 1 will be an orange Tetrahedron, Mark 1a will be an orange ball, Mark(s) 2 will be Orange Tetrahedron(s). The LA start and finish marks will be a green tetrahedron. For WA the start mark will be a green tetrahedron and the finish mark will be the weather mark.

8.2 Boats will leave a single leeward mark to port.

**9. The Start**

9.1 Races will be started using RRS 26.

9.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the starting mark.

**10 Change of the Next Leg of the Course**

10.2 The race committee may, without signal, move a mark up to 10 degrees in direction, provided no boat has rounded the previous mark of the course. This changes RRS 33.

10.3 First mark change during the race will be a yellow tetrahedron to weather. Further changes will alternate between orange and yellow. Leeward mark will remain orange and may be reoriented to changes of course orientation.

**11 The Finish**

11.1 The finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the finishing mark.

**12 Time Limits**

12.4 The time limit to reach the first windward mark will be 15 minutes. The race time limit will be 60 minutes. The time limit for boats to finish after the first boat starts, sails the course and finishes is 15 minutes. Boats not finishing in the “finishing window” will be scored TLE.

12.5 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2

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	1 <sup>st</sup> weather leg	Race	Post finish time (TLE)	
	15 minutes	60 minutes	15 minutes	

**13 Penalties, Protests and Requests for Redress**

13.5 RRS Rule 44.1 is changed so that the two turns penalty is replaced by a one turn penalty.

13.6 Display of a red protest flag is not required. This changes Rule 61.1(a).

13.7 Protest hearings will be scheduled by the Protest Committee.

## **14 Scoring**

14.1 Eight races are scheduled - one race scored will constitute the event.

14.2 Low point RRS Appendix A scoring will be used, and modified so that if six or more races are scored, each yacht's worst score shall be excluded from her total score.

14.3 A boat scored TLE will receive points of the last boat to finish within the time limit, plus one (1) additional point.

## **15 Safety**

15.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee via VHF radio as soon as possible.

15.1 Each boat shall carry an USCG approved PFD for each person aboard, a paddle, and have mainsail flotation panels attached.

## **16 Communications**

16.1 The Race Committee will attempt to communicate the starting sequence, any boats OCS, and any information it believes useful to the fleet on VHF channel 71. Failure to so communicate will not be ground for redress.

16.2 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

## **17 Prizes**

17.1 Prizes will be awarded for skipper and crew for each of the top three finishers.