



# Savannah D12 ILCA Regatta

## 26th Annual

### May 31- June 1, 2025

# SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

(version V1 05-09-25)

*The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule.*

*The notation  
'[DP]' in a rule means that the rule is  
subject to a discretionary penalty which can be less than disqualification.*

## 1. RULES

The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).

## 2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Any changes to the SIs made on shore will be posted before 0830 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.
- 2.2. Oral changes to these SIs may be given on the water by hail from the RC Signal vessel in accordance with RRS 90.2(c). The RC Signal vessel will display code flag L with one sound and communicate the changes before the next warning signal.

## 3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the porch of the Dock House.
- 3.2. On the water, the race committee (RC) will display code flag L with one sound.

## 4. [DP] CODE OF CONDUCT

Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

## 5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the SYC Mast on the Bluff of the Wilmington River.
- 5.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

## 6. SCHEDULE

<u>Friday, May 30</u>	1830 - 2100 Pre-race party at the Ushers House, 1616 Wilmington Island Rd. (BYOB). RSVP <a href="mailto:chusher76@gmail.com">chusher76@gmail.com</a>	
<u>Saturday, May 31</u>	0830	Coffee and Juice
	0930 - 1030	Check in
	1030	Competitors Meeting
	1100	Harbor Start
	1200	First Warning Signal
	1800	Dinner SYC Dock House/Tent

<u>Sunday, June 1</u>	0800	Coffee and Juice
	0900	Harbor Start
	1000	First warning signal
	1400	No warning signal will be made after this time
	After racing	Awards & wings at SYC Dock House

## 7. CLASS FLAGS

- 7.1.ILCA 7: White flag with red ILCA Logo
- 7.2.ILCA 6: Green Flag with red ILCA Logo
- 7.3.ILCA 4: Yellow Flag with red ILCA Logo

## 8. LAUNCHES

Gated launch times by class will be posted on the Official Notice Board and announced at the Competitors Meeting.

## 9. RACING AREA

NOR Attachment A shows the location of the host club and the Wilmington and Skidaway Rivers.

## 10. COURSES

The courses are described in SI Attachment 1.

## 11. MARKS

- 11.1.Marks 1, 2 and 3 will be green tetrahedrons.
- 11.2.Offset Mark 1o will be an orange ball.
- 11.3.Change marks as provided for in RRS 33 will be a orange tetrahedrons.
- 11.4.Offset Mark 1o will not be used with the change mark.
- 11.5.The start mark will be a yellow tetrahedron or a RC boat displaying an orange flag on a staff.
- 11.6.The finish mark will be an orange ball.
- 11.7.The windward Mark 1B for the 4.7 fleet will be a yellow tetrahedron with no Offset Mark.

## 12. THE START

- 12.1.Races will be started using RRS 26.
- 12.2.The race Committee will make several sound signals shortly before any warning signal that is not at a scheduled time or is not preceded by the lowering of another signal.
- 12.3.Before the Warning Signal for the first race of each day, all competitors intending to race shall check in by sailing past the stern of the signal boat on starboard tack and hail their sail number. A boat that competes but fails to check in may at the discretion of the race committee receive a 20% scoring penalty. This modifies Rule 63.1 and A5.
- 12.4.The starting line is between staffs displaying orange flags on RC Signal Vessel and either a yellow tetrahedron or a staff displaying an orange flag on a RC Boat at the port end of the line.
- 12.5.[DP] Boats whose warning signal have not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 12.6.A boat that does not meet the definition of *start* within four minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This is added to RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

## 13. CHANGE OF COURSE

After the start a change of course will be signaled in accordance with RRS 33.

## 14. THE FINISH

- 14.1.The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the RC Signal Boat and the orange finishing ball.
- 14.2.The time limit for the first boat to sail the course as required by RRS 28.1 is 1 hour.
- 14.3.The finishing window is 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the finishing window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place two more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the finishing window but not worse than DNF. This is added to RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.
- 14.4.The race committee will display flag A (with no sound) while boats are finishing to signal that there will be no more races conducted that day.

## 15. PENALTY SYSTEM

15.1.RRS Appendix V1 shall apply.

## 16. HEARING REQUESTS

16.1.Protest forms will be available at the Dock House near the official notice board.

16.2.The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the RC Signal vessel docks or the RC signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board.

16.3.Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

## 17. SCORING

17.1.The scoring system in RRS Appendix A4 will be used.

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

17.3.One race in a fleet is required to be completed to constitute a series for that fleet.

## 18. [DP] [NP] SAFETY REGULATIONS

18.1.A boat that retires from a race shall notify a Race Official at the first reasonable opportunity or a SYC Staff Member promptly after returning to shore. A boat that withdraws from a race or does not intend to start a scheduled race shall inform a Race Official as soon as possible.

18.2.The PFD must be worn at all times while on the water except while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment.

## 19. [DP] [NP] SUPPORT TEAMS

19.1.Any official or support vessel may assist any competitors in the case of an emergency.

19.2.Coach vessels shall remain a minimum of 100 yards from the course area except when asked to assist by a race official. All coach and support vessels are required to monitor the course channel on a VHF radio and be ready to assist with safety when requested.

## 20. TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash and empty water bottles may be placed aboard support or race official vessels.

## 21. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

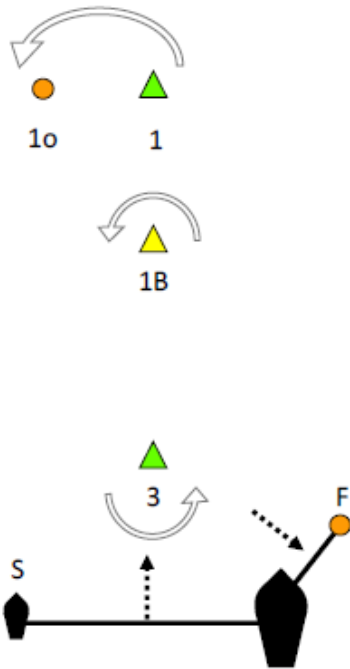
## 22. FURTHER INFORMATION

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## SI Attachment #1



### Course W1

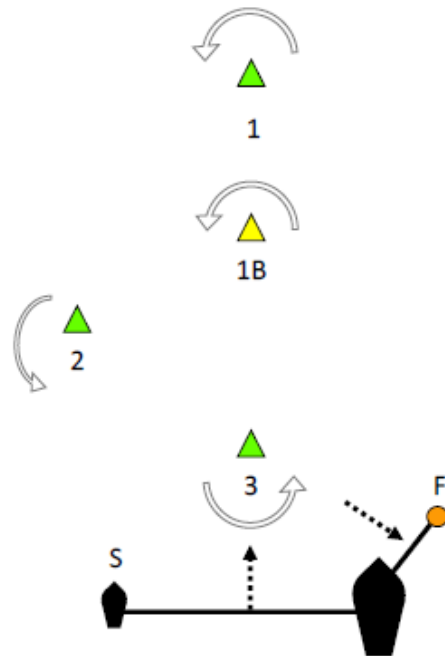
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