

2025 Blackbeard Spring One-Design Regatta

June 7-8, 2025 Sailing Instructions

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, including the USSailing prescriptions thereto.
- 1.2 The Alternative Penalties of Appendix V1 will be in effect. 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 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 OF RACES

- 5.1 On **Saturday June 7**, there will be a Competitors' meeting at 0930 on the deck at BSC.
 - 5.1.1 The first signal will be at 1125 additional races are intended to follow.
 - 5.1.2 No warning signal will be made after 1530.
 - 5.1.3 1830 Dinner at BSC clubhouse.
- 5.2 On **Sunday June 8** the first signal will be at 1025-additional races are intended to follow.
 - 5.2.1 No warning signal will be made after 1300.
 - 5.2.2 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 constitutes a Class.
- 6.2 Less than three of the same OD boats registered will be combined with other OD boats in an "open" class provided there are a minimum of 3 boats. They will race under the Portsmouth Yardstick DPN.

6.3 Each class flag will be the class insignia on a white background 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 rounded.
- 7.2 Courses to be sailed are as follows:

Sunfish - Short Course
Wayfarer - Long Course
Open Class - Long Course
San Juan 21 (all) - Long Course

8. MARKS

Windward marks will be orange and yellow inflatables as indicated on Attachment 1. Leeward Mark will be a yellow inflatable.

9. THE START

- 9.1 Races will start using RRS 26. The start line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat on the starboard end and the course side of a 3' orange inflatable on the port end.
- 9.2 The SJ21 classes will start together.

10. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark of the opposite color (orange for yellow and yellow for orange) or move the finish line and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When, in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with the original mark.

11. THE FINISH

The finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the signal vessel and the course side of a 3' yellow inflatable (finish mark) on the opposite side of the signal boat from the starting line.

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 35, and A5.3 will apply.

13. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

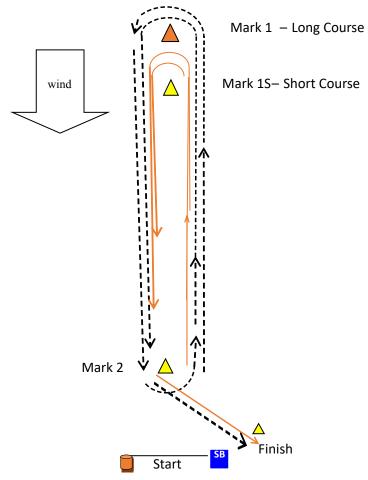
13.1 If you intend to file a protest, you shall so advise the Race Committee as you finish. This adds to RRS 60.2(d).

Protest forms are available for you to download from USSailing. 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 60.2(d).

ATTACHMENT 1

Course Diagram



Course: Windward -Leeward Offset Finish

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
	Start – 1 or 1S – 2 – 1 or 1S – 2 - Finish

Mark	Description
1	5' Orange Tetrahedron - Long
1S <u> </u>	5' Yellow Tetrahedron - Short
2 🛆	5' Yellow Tetrahedron
Start mark starboard end	Staff with an Orange Flag on Signal Boat
Start mark port end	Orange Cylinder
Finish mark starboard end	Staff with a Blue Flag on Finish Boat
Finish mark port end	3' Yellow Tetrahedron