



Commodore's Regatta-June 21-22, 2025

## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

### **1. RULES**

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS 2025-2028)

### **2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the main beach by the boat ramp.
- 2.2 A competitors' meeting will be held at 10am on the main beach by boat ramp on Saturday.

### **3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official noticeboard not less than 30 minutes prior to the first scheduled race on the day it will take effect.

### **4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

Courses and starting signals will be made ashore at the Race Committee Point.

### **5. SCHEDULE OF RACES**

- 5.1 There will be two days of racing (June 21-22).
- 5.2 The intention is to hold three to four races for each class on both Saturday and Sunday.
- 5.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 10:55am.
- 5.4 No warning signal will be made after 3:00pm on Sunday.

### **6. CLASS FLAGS**

Class flags and initial starting order shall be as follows:

Hobie 20 - White with H insignia  
Hobie 16 - Blue with H insignia  
Hobie Wave - Pink with H insignia  
Weta – Red with W insignia

### **7. THE COURSES**

- 7.1 Huntington Lake specific courses will be used. Reference: Attachment A.
- 7.2 No later than the preparatory flag (4 minutes before the start of a class), the race committee will designate the course by displaying the course number on a placard on R/C Point. *This changes RRS 27.*

### **8. MARKS**

- 8.1 Marks will be yellow or red cans in fixed positions.
- 8.2 All marks shall be left to port, except for Mark 1, which shall be left to starboard.
- 8.3 In the event that Mark 8 is a gate, boats shall pass through the yellow can and inflatable shape from the direction of the last mark.

## **9. THE START**

- 9.1 The Start Line will be between Buoy S approximately 50 feet off the Race Committee Point and Mark X. *This changes RRS Race Signals.* Buoy F is not part of the start line.
- 9.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. [DP]
- 9.3 A boat starting later than four minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. *This changes RRS A5.*

## **10. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

A single gate mark may be moved or adjusted without a signal. *This changes RRS 33.*

## **11. THE FINISH**

The Finish Line will be between Buoy S and Buoy F. *This changes RRS Race Signals.* Mark X is not part of the Finish Line.

## **12. PENALTY SYSTEM**

RRS44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

## **13. TIME LIMIT**

- 13.1 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat in their class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. *This changes RRS 35, A3, and A5.*
- 13.2 Boats may be finished on the course at the discretion of the RC. The RC determines the method and order of finishing. *This changes RRS A5.*

## **14. SCORING**

- 14.1 One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 14.2 When three (3) or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When four (4) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her races excluding her worst score.

## **15. SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 15.1 A personal flotation device shall be worn, properly fastened, by competitors while launching and when sailing, except briefly while adjusting clothing or equipment.
- 15.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 15.3 Avoid fishing boats. They often have their line cast many feet away from their vessel.
- 15.4 Avoid power lines. Before raising the mast, and always while sailing, check for and avoid low overhead electrical power lines. If you see a power line, AVOID IT! A mast coming in contact or even near an electrical power line can cause serious injury and/or death to people on or touching the boat.

## **16. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 16.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- 16.2 As a courtesy, the Race Committee will broadcast information on VHF channel 69 about breaks and signals. Radio communications do not replace the official signals displayed at

the Race Committee Point. Any missing, miscommunicated, or inaccurately timed broadcasts will not be grounds for redress.

#### 17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. It is the personal responsibility of each competitor to determine his/her level of safety; see RRS 3 Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

#### 18. INSURANCE

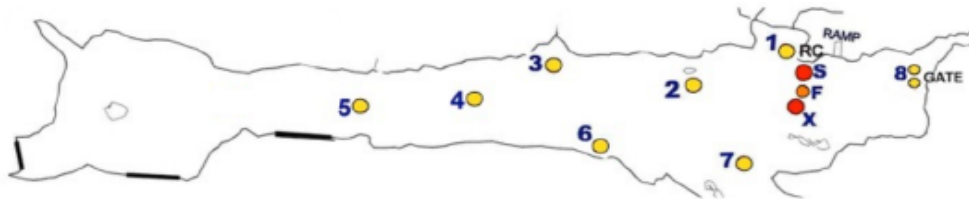
Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$100,000 (USD) per event or the equivalent.

### Attachment A: Course Chart & Courses

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|          |                                     |  |           |                                     |
|----------|-------------------------------------|--|-----------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>1</b> | <b>S-6-8-F</b>                      |  | <b>6</b>  | <b>S-4-1s-7-8-F</b>                 |
| <b>2</b> | <b>S-3-8-F</b>                      |  | <b>7</b>  | <b>S-4-8-2-F<sub>downwind</sub></b> |
| <b>3</b> | <b>S-6-1s-7-8-F</b>                 |  | <b>8</b>  | <b>S-4-8-2-8-F</b>                  |
| <b>4</b> | <b>S-4-8-F</b>                      |  | <b>9</b>  | <b>S-4-2-4-8-F</b>                  |
| <b>5</b> | <b>S-3-8-2-F<sub>downwind</sub></b> |  | <b>10</b> | <b>S-4-X-4-8-F</b>                  |

All Marks left to PORT except Mark 1 left to Starboard (s). Mark 8 may be a gate.



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