

2025 Gill Trophy
Organizing Authority: SM Sailing
Host: Chatham YC
July 29-July 31, 2025

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES:

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 RRS 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows: “(2) if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in, and did not see, the incident, or.”
- 1.3 RRS 64.1 is changed to allow penalties imposed by the Protest Committee, for hearings held under RRS 60.3(d), as changed, which may range from a reprimand to a dismissal from the regatta.
- 1.4 A Judge may penalize a boat without a protest by another boat, or report the incident to the protest committee, or both, when the boat breaks rule 31 and does not take a penalty.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS:

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Gill Trophy Regatta Network Event Website.
- 2.2 Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted before it will take effect, except any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 on the day before it will take effect.

3 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE:

- 3.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole at the Chatham YC
- 3.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘not less than 20 minutes’ in Race Signals AP.

4 MARKS: Marks will be Cylinders (Yellow or Orange) & Tuna Balls.

5 COURSES: The diagrams in Appendix A show the courses, including the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.

6 STARTING AND FINISHING LINES

- 6.1 The starting line will be between the yellow flag on the RC boat and a mark
- 6.2 Races will be started using RRS 26.
- 6.3 The class flag will be a pink flag.
- 6.4 The finish line will be between the yellow flag on the RC boat and a mark.

7 TIME LIMIT/FINISH WINDOW:

7.1 The Time Limit for each race will be 60 minutes for the first boat to finish.

7.2 The Finishing Window (the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course) is 20 minutes. Boats starting but failing to sail the course 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 finishing place of the last boat that sailed the course within the Finishing Window and was not penalised under RRS 30.3 or 30.4. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

8 PROTESTS

8.1 A boat intending to protest about an incident that occurs in the racing area shall notify the race committee finish boat of her intention, including the sail number(s) of the boat(s) being protested, before speaking with a coach. This changes RRS 60.2.

8.2 Protests shall be delivered to the Chief Judge within **20** minutes after the Race Committee boat docks. The protest time limit and a list of protests received will be posted on a white board at the club. Hearings will be held as soon as possible after racing each day.

9 SCORING

9.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A of the racing rules will apply.

9.2 A boat's series score will exclude her worst score if five or more races are completed.

9.3 One race constitutes a series; A maximum of ten races are scheduled.