

THE LABOR DAY REGATTA

30 -31 August 2025 The Rudder Club of Jacksonville 8533 Malaga Avenue Jacksonville, FL 32244, USA

ONE DESIGN AND PORTSMOUTH SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 US SAILING Prescriptions will apply

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Official notices to competitors will be posted on the notice board located on the north exterior wall of the Rudder Club. Notices may in addition be published on the event web site at https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/30173

3 CHANGES IN THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change in the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Bulletin Board on the Rudder Club north wall prior to 1100 30 August and may in addition be published on the Event Web Site at https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/30173

Any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect. Oral changes may be made on the water and will be communicated to each boat prior to her warning

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

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- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flag pole located on the north side of the Rudder Club.
- 4.2 When AP is displayed ashore "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 45 minutes" in the race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Number of races for Portsmouth Multihull and Portsmouth Centerboard classes to be announced. One race for Portsmouth Offshore class.
- 5.2 Class divisions shall be posted on the Official Bulletin Board.

5.3 Schedule:

SATURDAY, 30 August – All classes - One race.

1200 – 1330: Late registration 1445: Competitors' meeting

1555: Warning signal for first class

SUNDAY 31 August- One design and Portsmouth classes -. Racing continues. Time of 1st warning signal to be announced on Saturday. Buoy races

There will be no Competitor's Meeting on Sunday.

6 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be the International Numeral Pennants as depicted under Race Signals in the RRS.

Class		Pennant
Portsmouth Multihull	P1	
Portsmouth Centerboard	P2	
Portsmouth Offshore	P3	

7 RACING ARFA

The racing area will be on the St. Johns River between the Buckman Bridge to the south and the Fuller Warren Bridge to the north as depicted on NOAA Chart 11492.

8 THE COURSE

- 8.1 The course on Saturday will be a distance race. The course will be announced at the competitors' meeting. Courses on Sunday will be as depicted in Attachment A and indicate the approximate angles between legs, the order of rounding, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2 The course for each class will be displayed on a white board located on the starting line side of the committee boat.

- 8.3 If the Race Committee sets a gate instead of the Leeward Mark, boats shall sail between marks forming the gate from the direction of the last mark and round either the port mark leaving it to port or the starboard mark leaving it to starboard.
- 8.4 If the Race Committee sets an offset mark in the vicinity of the windward mark, boats shall sail around both marks leaving them on the prescribed side.

9 MARKS

Marks 1, 2S, and 2P will be yellow cylinders. Mark 1L will be an orange cylinder. Mark 1L off-set will be a red ball. A new mark laid in accordance with Change of Course procedures will be an orange tetrahedron. The start mark will be a small red tetrahedron and the finish mark will be a small green tetrahedron.

10 START

- 10.1 The Starting Line will be a line between an orange flag flown on the Race Committee/Signal Boat and a pin with orange striping set toward the left side of the course from the Committee Boat relative to the first leg of the course.
- 10.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence of other classes.

11 CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START

To change the position of the next mark, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position. The change will be signaled before the leading boat has begun that leg, although the mark may not yet be in the new position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the moved mark may be relocated without further signaling to maintain the course configuration.

12 THE FINISH

The Finish Line will be between a blue flag flown on the Race Committee/Signal Boat and a pin with blue striping set toward the left side of the course from the Committee Boat relative to the final leg of the course, (Opposite side of the committee boat from the starting line.) This is to accommodate conducting starts for some classes while others are finishing.

the first boat in each starting class to finish is 180 minutes from her start. The time limit in buoy races is 60 minutes.

14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1 Protests shall be written on forms available at the Rudder Club. They shall be filed with the Regatta Chairman. Protest time will end 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. Protests will be heard in the approximate order received.
- 14.2 Protest notices will be posted on the Official Bulletin Board within 30 minutes following the protest time limit.
- 14.3 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, is in effect.

15 SCORING

The Low Point Scoring System of appendix A will apply. Portsmouth classes will be scored in accordance with the Portsmouth Yardstick System. One race must be completed to constitute a series. A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

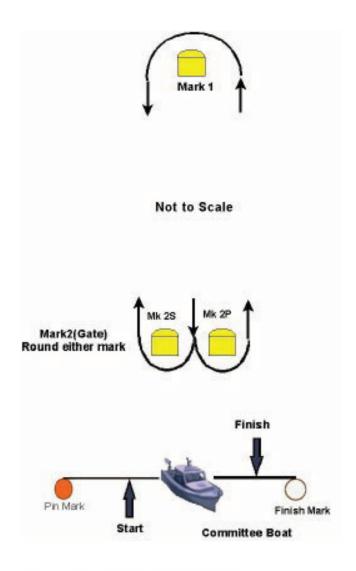
16 SAFETY

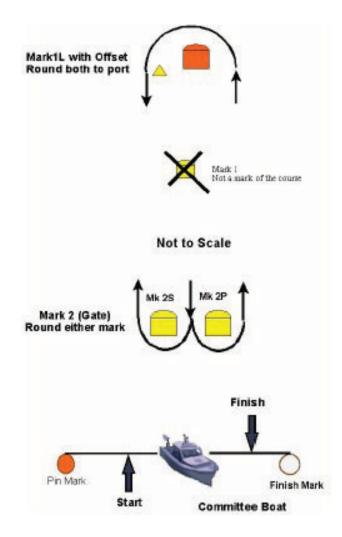
- 16.1 Boats shall attempt to check in with the Race Committee by sailing past the committee boat on the non-course side prior to their class Warning Signal.
- 16.2 Boats withdrawing from a race prior to finishing shall make every effort to ensure that Race Committee is notified that they have dropped out
- 16.3 All competitors are required to conform to the U.S. Coast Guard regulations and the RRS concerning personal floatation devices and other required equipment.
- 16.4 Boats shall not impede the passage of a vessel which can safely navigate only within a narrow channel, and give way to commercial fishing vessels while fishing or vessels with restricted ability to maneuver.
- 16.5 In accordance with Rule 42.3(i), providing no significant advantage is gained, a boat may employ propulsion using an engine or another method to remain clear of a non-racing vessel when required by Inland Rules.

17 PRIZES

First, second, and third place prizes will be awarded in classes of more than five finishing yachts. First and second place prizes will be awarded in classes of four to five finishing yachts. A first place prize will be awarded in classes of three or less finishing yachts. One design prizes will be awarded on Sunday 31 August. If there are sufficient boats registered in Portsmouth Multihull and Portsmouth Centerboard classes, trophies in one-design classes may be awarded.

Round -the-Buoy Courses (Attachment A)





Windward Leeward Short

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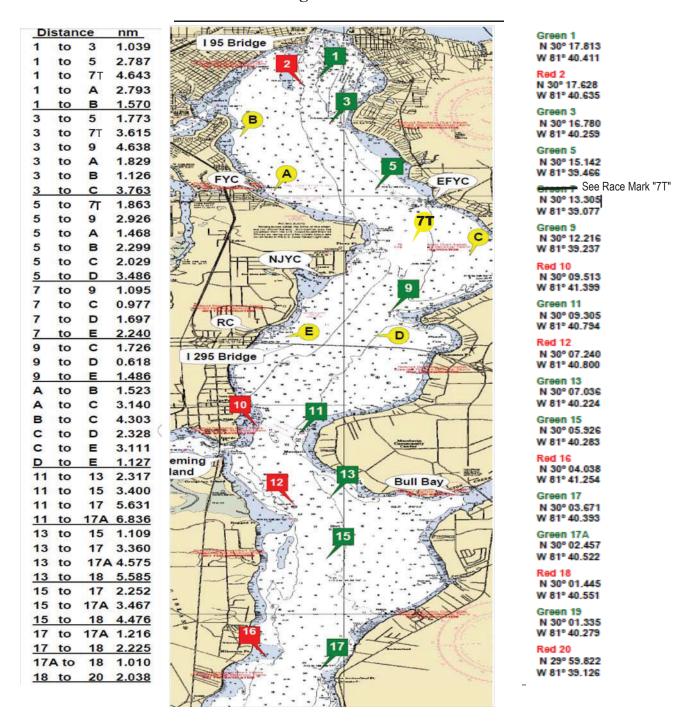
Course Start, 1, 2P or 2S, 1, Finish

Windward Leeward Long

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Course Start, 1L, 2P or 2S, 1L, Finish

First Coast Sailing Association Race Marks



**Note: If set these marks will be an inflatable mark. Race Mark "A" N 30° 15.090 W 81° 41.160 Race Mark "B" N 30° 11.648 W 81° 39.522 Race Mark "C" N 30° 13.564 W 81° 37.989 Race Mark "D" N 30° 16.581 W 81° 41.539 Race Mark "E" N 30° 11.648 W 81° 40.822 Race Mark "T" N N30° 13.305 W 81° 39.077