



SNOWBALL REGATTA

OCTOBER 11, 2025
BUCKEYE LAKE, OHIO

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing.

2 ENTRIES

- 3 Eligible boats may enter by registering online at <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/30268> prior to the start of racing on Saturday, October 11, 2025

4 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the front (porch) windows of the BLYC Clubhouse.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located at the Race Committee Shack on the southeast corner of Watkins Island. If a postponement is signaled ashore, the warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after AP is lowered.

6 SCHEDULE and CLASS FLAGS

Saturday, October 11, 2025

A competitors' meeting will be held at 1030 hours on **Saturday, October 11, 2025** on the front porch of the BLYC Clubhouse.

The warning signal for the first race will be made at approximately 1130 hours. Subsequent races will be held as soon as possible after the end of the previous race. No race will be started after 1600 hours.

The class flags will be posted on the official notice board and announced at the Competitors Meeting on Saturday, Saturday, October 11, 2025.

7 RACING AREA

The racing area will be on the waters of Buckeye Lake, generally in front of the Buckeye Lake Yacht Club.

8 COURSES and MARKS

The attached diagram shows the courses, the marks in order and the rounding direction of each mark. Course designations will be posted on the RC signal boat either with numeral pennants or a "digital 8" sign board. Course changes will be signaled in accordance with RRS 33. In the situation of a course change on Courses 1, 2, & 3, an offset may or may not be included at the new windward mark and a gate may or not be used at the leeward mark. If a leeward mark is missing, round the remaining mark leaving it on the port side.

Marks of the course will be Pink tetrahedrons for marks 1, 2, 2S, 2P, and 3. Mark 1a will be a white ball.

Change marks will be yellow cylinders. When, in a subsequent change, a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with an original mark.

9 THE START

A boat starting more than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS (“Did Not Start”) without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.1

The Race Committee may, at its own discretion, start multiple fleets simultaneously.

Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.

The Race Committee may attempt to hail OCS boats, either orally or by VHF radio. However, the following shall not be grounds for redress; failure to hail, timeliness of the hail, failure to hear the hail, and the order of boats hailed.

10 STARTING AND FINISHING LINES

The start/finish line will be between an orange flag displayed on the signal boat and an orange ball.

The line may be shortened for the finish.

11 TIME LIMIT

The time limit for each race will be 60 minutes for the first boat to finish.

Boats finishing more than 30 minutes after the first boat that sails the course and finishes will be scored TLE (“Time Limit Expired”) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, 63.1, A4 and A5.

The last, yet-to-finish boat may elect to notify the RC Signal Boat via mark boats, other support boats, or via VHF, within the Time Limit for finishing, of her intention to not complete the course. The Principal Race Officer shall then designate her as finished based on her position on the course. This changes RRS 28.1

12 PROTESTS

Protests shall be delivered to the registration table within 60 minutes after the race committee finish boat docks.

The protest time limit and a list of protests received will be posted on the notice board. Hearings will be held as soon as possible after racing each day in the Commodores Lounge of the Buckeye Lake Yacht Club.

13 SCORING

As many races as practical are scheduled. One race constitutes a series

When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores. When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes RRS A2.

The JAM/PHRF class will be handicapped using the Mean Portsmouth handicaps available from US Portsmouth on the US SAILING website, converted to PHRF ratings, and the time-on-time method.

The Mixed Dinghy class will be handicapped using the Mean Portsmouth handicaps available from US Portsmouth on the US SAILING website and Portsmouth handicapping.

14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race.

The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor’s participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

15 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

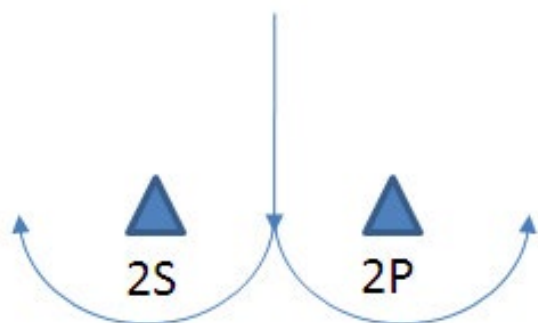
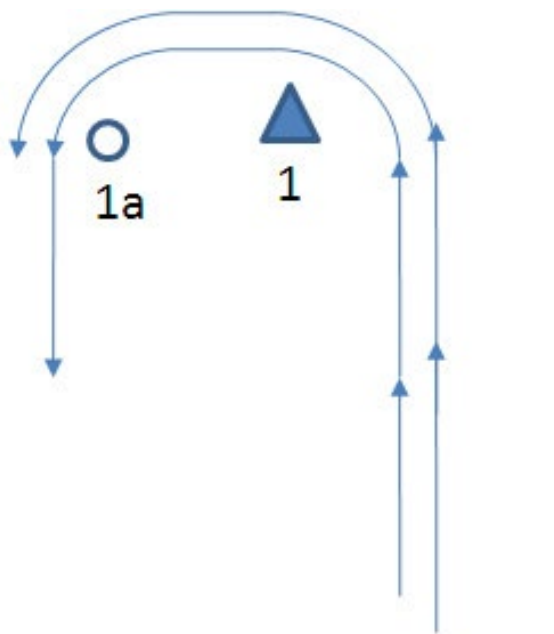
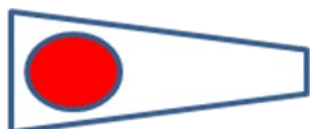
The race committee will use VHF channel 72 or alternate designated recreational channel to make courtesy broadcasts. Failure to hear or understand a broadcast will not be grounds for redress.

Except in an emergency, a boat, shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

COURSE DIAGRAMS:

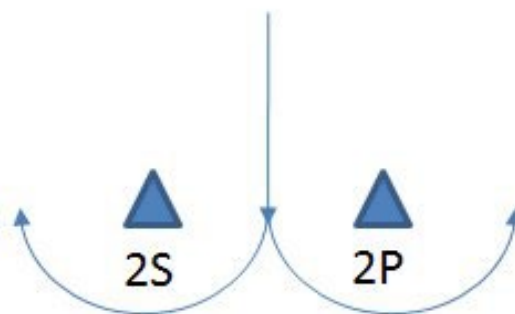
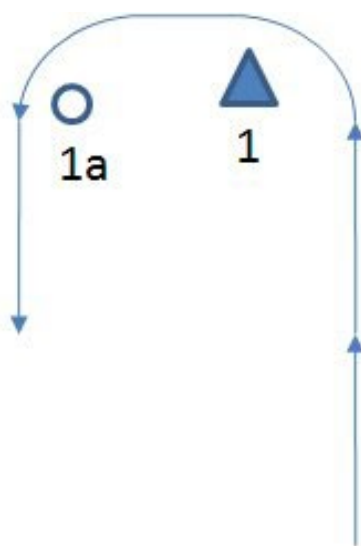
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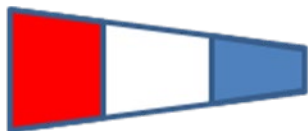


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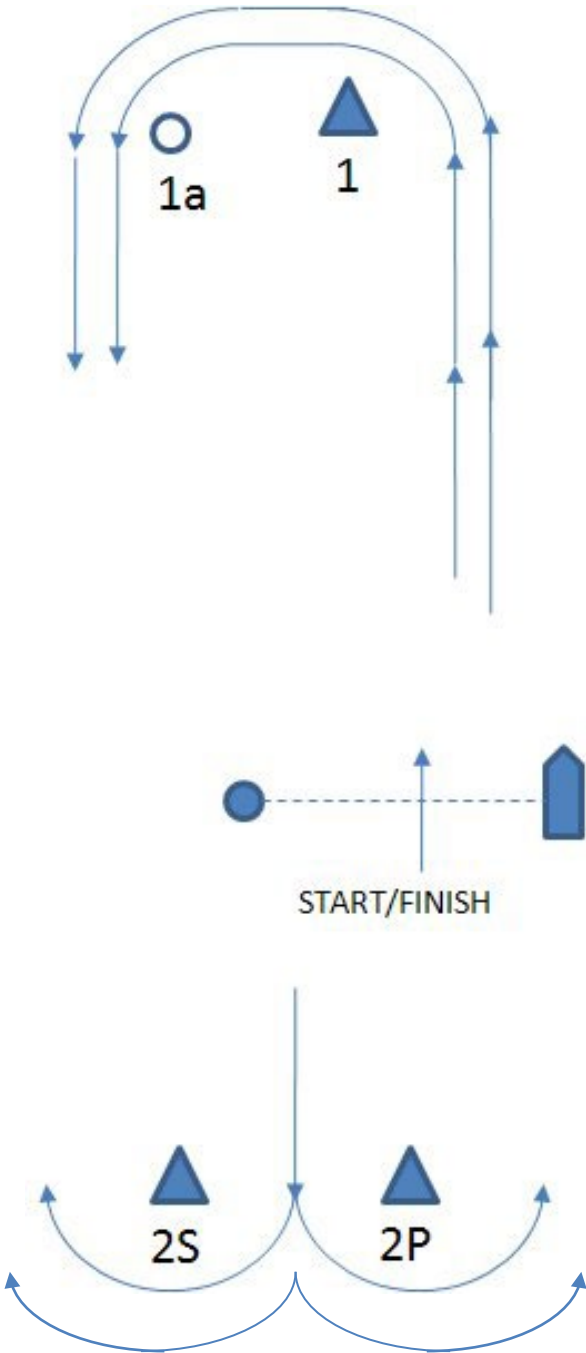
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COURSE 3



Start-1-1a-2 S/P-1-1a-2 S/P-Finish



COURSE 4



Start-1-2-3-1-3-Finish

