

2012 McNULTY SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

MILWAUKEE YACHT CLUB
JUNE 16 & 17, 2012

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), the rules of the International Soling class, except as any of these are changed by these sailing instructions. The prescriptions of United States Sailing will not apply.
- 1.2 RRS 42.3(b) is changed by adding: Pumping of the spinnaker guy is permitted without restriction under all conditions only on the legs designated as the reaching legs of Course 2. "Pumping of the spinnaker guy" means repeated trimming and releasing of the guy by any means. This changes International Soling Association (ISA) Class Rule C.9.1.

2. ENTRIES

Eligibility requirement for competitors (helmsperson and two crew members) is membership for Skipper/Helmsperson or Boat in their National Soling Association or the International Soling Association (ISA). All yachts must have a 2012 ISA sticker affixed in the prescribed manner.

3. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located near the main door to the Milwaukee Yacht Club (MYC) clubhouse.

4. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be approved and signed by the Regatta Chairperson and the MYC Soling Fleet Captain.
- 4.2 Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted before 9:00 a.m. on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 6:00 p.m. on the day before it will take effect.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the MYC flagpole.
- 5.2 Flag AP with two sound signals (one sound signal when lowered) means the race is postponed. The warning signal will be made not less than 60 minutes after AP is lowered. This changes Flag AP in Race Signals.

6. **SCHEDULE OF RACES**

6.1 Races are scheduled as follows:

Saturday, June 16	1055 Hrs – Warning of first race of day. Subsequent races to follow.
Sunday, June 17	0955 Hrs – Warning of first race of day. Subsequent races to follow.

6.2 No warning signal will be made after 1400 on the last day of racing.

6.3 Five races are scheduled, of which three must be completed to constitute a valid regatta.

6.4 It is the intention of the Race Committee to run three races on Saturday and two races on Sunday. However, the Race Committee may start a fourth race on the first day of racing if conditions and time are favorable.

6.5 The Second Substitute flag will be displayed on the Race Committee boat at the finish to designate another race to follow.

6.6 The warning signal for the second or third race will be made as soon as practicable. To alert boats that the second or third race will begin soon, the orange line flag on the signal boat will be displayed with a sound signal at least 4 minutes before warning signal is displayed.

7. **THE COURSE**

7.1 The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses and the order in which marks are to be rounded or passed.

7.2 The course designation will be displayed on the Race Committee signal boat.

7.3 The approximate compass bearing and approximate distance from the starting line to the first mark will be displayed from the Race Committee signal boat. The approximate compass bearing will be indicated by a display of at least the first two digits of the bearing, rounded off to the nearest ten degrees if two digits are used and the nearest five degrees if three digits are used.

7.4 Courses may be shortened according to RRS 32. Additionally, the Race Committee may elect to shorten a course by one leg prior to its start. If a course is to be shortened in this manner the Race Committee will display flag S prior to the warning signal for that race and for the duration of the starting sequence.

7.5 Neither the selection of the course nor the length of legs shall be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 60.1(b) and 62.

7.6 If one of the gate marks is missing, the boats shall round the remaining mark to port.

7.7 In the case that the weather mark is changed per RRS 33, Mark 1a (offset) will not be set.

8. **MARKS**

The starting mark and rounding marks will be orange throw-in buoys (tetrahedron or cylinder). After the start, new marks to reflect a change of course will be yellow spheres. For Courses 2 and 3, the offset mark and the finishing mark will be small orange spheres.

9. **THE START**

9.1 Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26 with a five minute warning sequence.

9.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end and the course side of a mark at the port end or the staff displaying an orange flag on a Race Committee boat at the port end.

9.3 A yacht shall not start later than 5 minutes after her starting signal.

10. **THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag or shape on a Race Committee boat and the course side of the nearby mark.

11. **TIME LIMIT**

Any race in which no yacht rounds the first windward mark within forty minutes of the start or finishes within two hours of the start will be abandoned. If any yacht finished within the two hour time limit, the time limit for all other yachts will be thirty minutes after the finish of the first yacht. This changes RRS 35. Yachts not finishing within the time limit will be scored "Did Not Finish".

12. **PROTESTS**

12.1 Protest shall be made in writing on forms available at the MYC office and lodged with the representative there within 90 minutes after the last boat has finished in the last race of the day.

12.2 The jury will hear protests in the order that it deems appropriate.

13. **SCORING**

13.1 The Low Point scoring system, Appendix A, will apply so that each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, with her worst score discarded if four or more races have been completed.

13.2 Prizes will be awarded to the top three finishing boats in the Blue and Red fleets.
The fleet will be split after completing two races.

14. **RETIREMENT**

A yacht retiring shall notify the Race Committee before leaving the racing area or the Club office immediately upon arrival at the dock.

15. **RADIO AND ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION**

A boat shall neither make nor receive transmissions on or from any electronic communication device while racing.

16. **SAILS**

Yachts shall use only two jibs, two spinnakers of either size and one main sail. Sails may be replaced only if they are rendered unusable in the course of the regatta and only with the written approval of the PRO or his/her representative.

17. **INSPECTION AND MEASUREMENT**

At the discretion of the Regatta Committee, all entrants are, at the time of registration or any time during the event subject to (a) measurement of hull, rigging and sails and (b) inspection of required safety equipment. Failure to pass a measurement or equipment check after the event has commenced will result in disqualification of all races up to the time of detection.

18. **SUBSTITUTION OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without the prior written approval of the jury. Such approval will be given in case of injury, illness or other non-preventable circumstances or when notified at registration.

19. **HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the duration of the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

20. **DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**

Under water breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats after the warning signal for the first race.

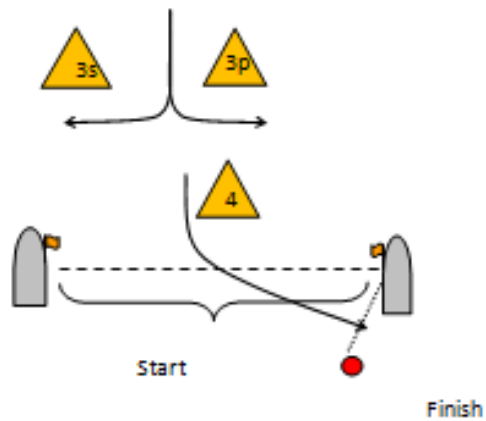
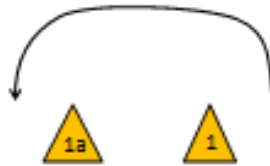
21. **SUPPORT BOATS**

Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel are not allowed within 200m of the starting area or the race course from the warning signal until all boats have finished or the Race Committee signals a postponement or abandonment.

22. **DISCLAIMER**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk: see RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers shall not be liable for any loss, damage, death or personal injury howsoever caused to the owner/competitor or his skipper or crew as a result of their taking part in the races. Moreover, every owner/competitor warrants the suitability of their boat for the races.

ATTACHMENT A - COURSES



<u>Course 2:</u> Start, 1, 1a, 3p/3s, 1, 1a, 4, Finish
<u>Course 3:</u> Start, 1, 1a, 3p/3s, 1, 1a, 3p/3s, 1, 1a, 4, Finish