



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

**McIntosh Cup Regatta and
Barbara Ann/Hugh Bear Youth Memorial Trophy**

May 4th – 5th, 2013

1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

This regatta is organized by the Savannah Yacht Club, Savannah, Ga.

2. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the "rules" as defined in the **Racing Rules of Sailing** (RRS 2013-2016).

3. ENTRIES

The 2013 McIntosh Cup Regatta is open to all self-rescuing sailboats of 19' or longer. VX's will have their own class and starts and will sail one-design type Windward/Leewards. PHRF Entries will either sail Class A (Spinnaker) or Class B (Non-Spinnaker).

4. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Prior to Saturday, June 1st, 9:30am, notices to competitors will be posted on the Event Website:



<http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/6580>

During the Event (beginning Saturday, June 1st, at 9:30am), notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board on the porch of the Dock.

The Race Committee will communicate to competitors via VHF Channel 72. This includes OCS notifications to competitors as well as course for the next class. Failure to hear this radio communication is not grounds for any redress.

5. CHANGES IN THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board before 1030 on Saturday and 0800 on Sunday, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on the previous day.

6. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Flagstaff located on the SYC Bluff.
- 6.2 Flag AP means "The race is postponed". The warning signal will not be made less than 60 minutes after AP is lowered ashore. This changes Race Signals.

7. SCHEDULE

SATURDAY – May 4th

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| 0900 – 1015 hrs | Late Registration, Race Packets, Donuts and Coffee. |
| 1100 hrs | Competitors Meeting followed by lunch & launch |
| 1300 hrs | First Warning Signal, followed by racing. |
| 1830 hrs | Dinner at SYC Sail Loft |

SUNDAY – May 5th

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| 0800 hrs | Donuts and Coffee available. |
| 1000 hrs | First Warning Signal – no starts later than 1400 hrs. Award Presentation to follow Racing. |

8. CLASS FLAGS

Class Flag for PHRF A is solid YELLOW Flag, Class Flag for PHRF B is Solid GREEN Flag, and VX One Class will be the VX Class Flag.

9. RACING AREA

The racing area will be the Wilmington, Skidaway, and/or Wassaw Sound areas.

10. COURSES

10.1 The courses for the next classes start will be displayed on the course board from the RC boat. The RC will also attempt to hail the next classes course prior to their warning signal via VHF. Failure to hear the course via VHF shall not constitute grounds for redress. When you hear your class/course via VHF being hailed, this also means we are preparing to start the starting sequence for your class.

10.2 The diagrams in Appendix A show the Windward, Windward/Leeward type courses for the VX Class, PHRF A and PHRF B classes.

10.3 If Government marks are used for rounding during the race, the course shall be signaled according to procedure in Appendix B. An example of this is shown below.

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| EXAMPLE 1 | Course Board Displays: | S W 21 F |
| | Course to Sail: | Start, Round SYC Windward Mark (SYC Orange Tetrahedron), Round Government Green Can 21, Finish |

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| EXAMPLE 2 | Course Board Displays: | S 14 F |
| | Course to Sail: | Start, Round Government R14, Finish |

10.4 All marks shall be rounded to Starboard.

11. MARKS

11.1 PHRF Class shall use Orange Tetrahedrons for the Starting Pin, and Windward and Leeward Marks as shown in Appendix A. Government Marks may be used and if used shall be noted on the Course Board as shown in Appendix B.

11.2 VX One Classes Shall use an Orange Tetrahedron Starting Pin, a Yellow Tetrahedron Windward Mark and an Orange Tetrahedron Leeward Mark as shown in Appendix A.

12. THE START

12.1 Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26.

12.2 The Race Committee will make several sound signals shortly before any warning signal that is not at a scheduled time or is not preceded by the lowering of another signal.

12.3 Before the Warning Signal for the first race of the day, all skippers intending to race shall check in by sailing past the stern of the signal boat on starboard tack and hail their sail number. The race committee will acknowledge by hailing the number back to the skipper. A BOAT THAT COMPETES BUT FAILS TO CHECK IN MAY (AT THE DISCRETION OF THE RACE COMMITTEE) RECEIVE A 20% SCORING PENALTY. THIS MODIFIES RULE 63.1 and A5.

12.4 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat at the starboard end of the line and an orange tetrahedron at the port end of the line.

12.5 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1, A4.1, and A5.

12.6 Recalls, both individual and general will be hailed via VHF on Channel 72. The lack of a hail, failure to hear a hail, the timeliness of a hail, or the order of the hail, Shall Not be grounds for redress.

13. CHANGE OF COURSE

After the start a change of course will be signaled in accordance with RRS 33.

14. THE FINISH

14.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat and an orange tetrahedron (the original start line).

14.2 A boat that has finished and then again sails across the finish line will be scored in the position of her last crossing.

15. TIME LIMITS

The time limit is 2 ½ hours (150 minutes) for each fleet. Boats still racing 45 minutes after the first boat in their fleet finishes, and not thereafter retiring will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired, see Scoring) two points more than

the last place boat that finishes within the "finishing window", but not worse than DNF. This changes RRS 35, 63.1, A4.1, and A5.

16. RETIREMENT

A boat which retires from the race shall notify the race committee or SYC Safety Boat before leaving the race area, or notify the race committee personnel on shore.

17. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 17.1 Protest forms will be available on the signal boat and next to the Official Notice Board.
- 17.2 The protesting boat shall deliver a written protest to the signal boat within the 30 minute Protest time limit beginning when the signal boat docks. The time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 17.3 Protest notices will be posted within 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors when and where there is a hearing that they are a party to or witness.
- 17.4 RRS 66 is changed by adding this sentence: "On the last day of racing a party to a hearing may ask for a reopening no later than 30 minutes after being informed of the decision".

18. SCORING

The Low Point scoring system RRS A4.1 will apply. RRS A2 is modified in which a boat's score will be the total of all race scores, with her worst score discarded if 6 or more races have been completed. One race will constitute a regatta.

19. PRIZES

Awards will be given for the top finishers in PHRF A (spinnaker), PHRF B (non-spinnaker) and VX One classes. Additionally the following awards will be presented:

- OLD POLE AWARD Represents the top combined finish of competitors in each class from the same club. Skipper's must be from the same club and the skipper must designate this club at registration before the event begins. Scoring shall be the combined score of each yacht in each class.
- BARBARA ANN/ HUGH BEAR TROPHY A 1% rating benefit will be given for each youth crew member up to a maximum of three youth (3%). Youth crew members cannot be 19 years Or older in 2012.

20. SAFETY

- 20.1 Life jackets are recommended to be worn at all times while on the water, except for brief periods while adding or removing clothing.
- 20.2 The safety of a boat is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the skipper who must decide whether or not to sail or continue to sail.
- 20.3 SYC Safety Boats will fly a Yellow Flag with a Black Number on it.

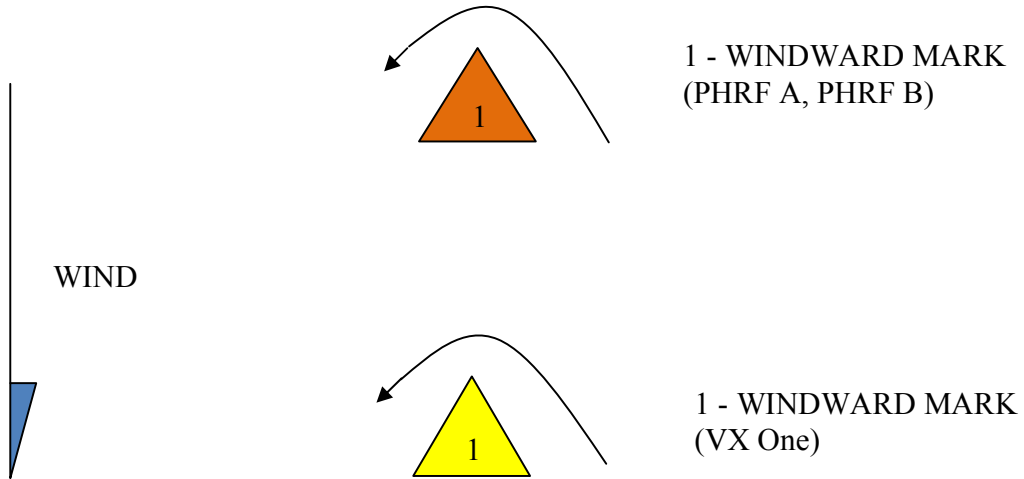
TIDES

| Day | Date | Time | ft | Time | ft | Time | ft | Time | ft | Moon |
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| Fri | 3 May | 3:19 am | 7.3 | 9:45 am | 0.0 | 3:45 pm | 7.3 | 10:12 pm | 0.5 | -C |
| Sat | 4 May | 4:17 am | 7.1 | 10:44 am | -0.1 | 4:43 pm | 7.1 | 11:16 pm | 0.4 | -C |
| Sun | 5 May | 5:14 am | 7.0 | 11:37 am | -0.2 | 5:38 pm | 7.0 | ----- | --- | -C |

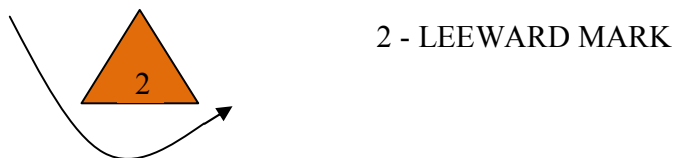
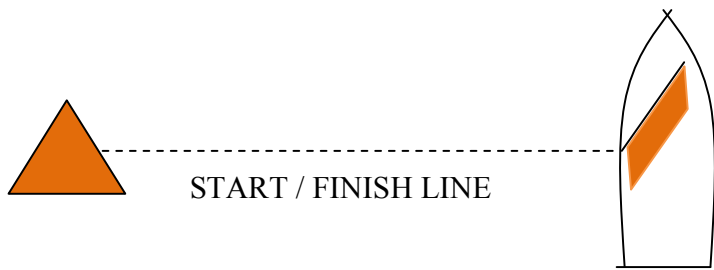
Notes from Skippers Meeting:

APPENDIX A

Windward Leeward (“W” Courses) Upwind Finish Type Courses

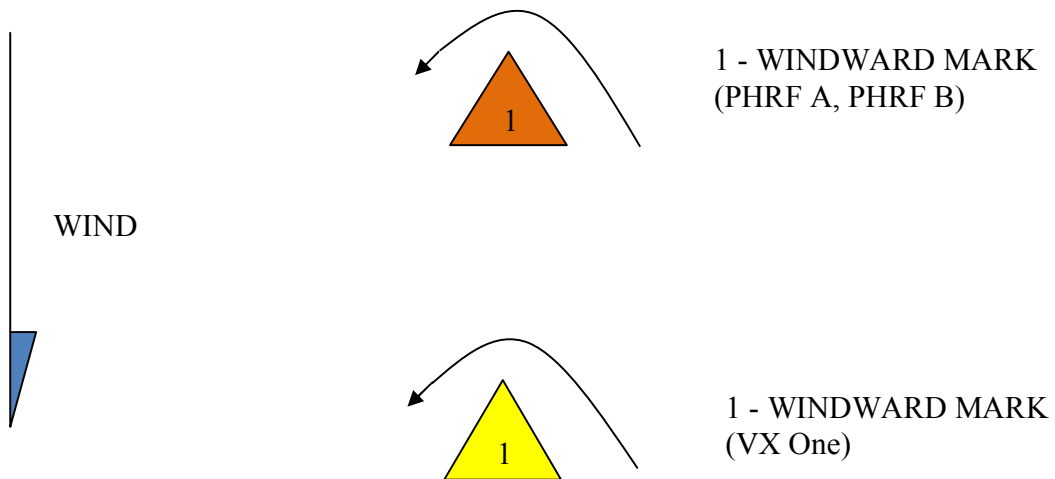


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| Course: W1 | Start – 1 – 2 – Finish |
| Course: W2 | Start – 1 – 2 – 1 – 2 – Finish |
| Course: W3 | Start – 1 – 2 – 1 – 2 – 1 – 2 – Finish |

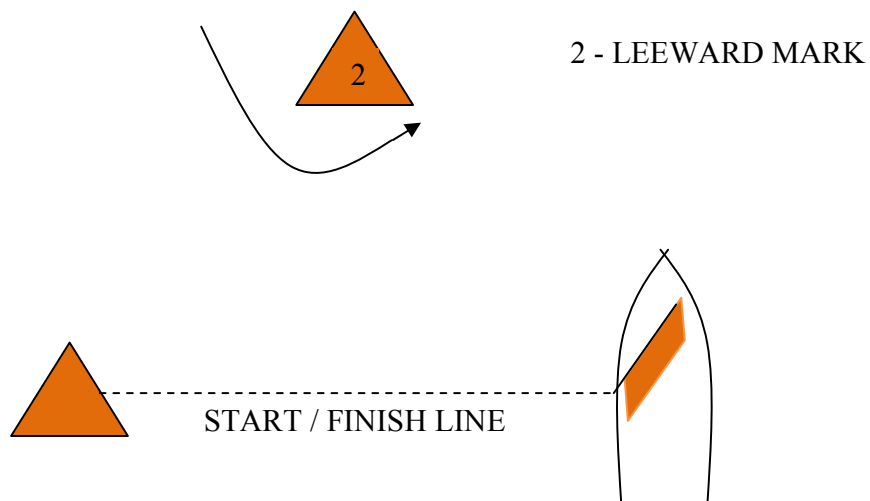


APPENDIX A

Windward Leeward (“WL” Courses) Downwind Finish Type Courses



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| Course: WL1 | Start - 1 - 2 - 1 - Finish |
| Course: WL2 | Start - 1 - 2 - 1 - 2 - 1 - Finish |
| Course: WL3 | Start - 1 - 2 - 1 - 2 - 1 - 2 - 1 - Finish |



APPENDIX B

PHRF Courses using Government Marks

Notifications to competitors regarding courses shall be displayed on the course board on the R/C Boat prior (and during) that classes preparatory signal. The R/C will also attempt to hail the course configuration, and next class to start via VHF channel 72 prior to the preparatory signal for that class. Failure to hear such notification shall not be grounds for redress.

In addition to the previous courses listed in Appendix A, Course Symbols that may be displayed on the course board are noted below. All Roundings are to Starboard.

| Symbol Displayed | Indicates |
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| S | Start (between orange flag & SYC Tetradedron) |
| F | Finish (between orange flag & SYC Tetrahedron) |
| W | Windward Mark (SYC Orange Tetrahedron) |
| L | Leeward Mark (SYC Orange Tetrahedron) |
| O | Mark in Skidaway (SYC Orange Tetrahedron) |
| H | Finish off front of SYC docks (between orange flag/tet) |
| 13 | Government Mark 13 (Wassaw Sound) |
| 14 | Government Mark 14 (Wassaw Sound) |
| 19 | Government Mark 19 (Mouth of Wassaw Sound) |
| 20 | Government Mark 20 (Mouth of Wassaw Sound) |
| 22 | Government Mark 22 (Wilmington River) |
| 23 | Government Mark 23 (Wilmington River) |
| 25 | Government Mark 25 (Wilmington River) |
| 27 | Government Mark 27 (Wilmington River) |