



**2013 Edgewater Race Program  
Edgewater Yacht Club  
Cleveland, Ohio  
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**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**DROP MARK COURSE**

**1 RULES**

- 1.1 The Race Program will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of US Sailing, and the rules and regulations of Edgewater Yacht Club, except as changed by these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 US Sailing Prescriptions to rules 60, 63.2 and 63.4 shall not apply.
- 1.3 US Sailing Prescriptions Appendix T2 – Post Race Penalties; and T5 - Arbitration shall apply.

**2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the Edgewater Yacht Club clubhouse patio.

**3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted no later than one (1) hour before the first warning signal on the day it will take effect.
- 3.2 Any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2200 on the day before it will take effect.

**4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the EWYC flagpole located north of the clubhouse, or the mast of the appropriate Race Committee Signal boat when only one course is affected.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘not less than sixty (60) minutes’ in the race signal AP.
- 4.3 When Flag N is displayed above a class flag or multiple class flags, racing is cancelled for the day for the classes indicated. This changes Race Signal N.

**5 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

- 5.1 The EWYC Race Program will be conducted in accordance with the Drop Mark Course Schedule attached.
- 5.2 Multiple races may be sailed on each Sunday, Holiday race day, Wednesday Night race day. See the One Design Race Schedule.

**5.3 Starting Sequence:**

<u>Sunday &amp; Holidays</u>	<u>Wednesday Evenings May 15<sup>th</sup> through August 14<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>Wednesday Evenings August 21<sup>st</sup> through Sept 11<sup>th</sup></u>
1 <sup>st</sup> Warning Signal at 11:25 am	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning Signal at 6:55pm	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning Signal at 6:25pm

- 5.4 The Race Committee may eliminate the start for a class if no class boats are in or near the starting area prior to the warning signal.
- 5.5 The Race Committee may start two or more classes together as signalled by Class flags.
- 5.6 If Code Flag Second Substitute is displayed on a pole at the finish, an additional race will be sailed. When Code Flag Second Substitute is displayed over class flag(s), there will be an additional race only for those class(es).

**6 CLASS FLAGS**

Class flags will be:



<u>Class</u>	<u>Flag</u>
J/70	Code Flag 1
Ensign	Code Flag 2
Dragon	Dragon Flag

<u>Class</u>	<u>Flag</u>
Highlander	Highlander Flag
J/22	Red with White J/22
J/24	White with Blue J/24

## 7 THE COURSES

- 7.1 The diagrams in the “Edgewater Race Program – One Design Courses” will show the courses, including the course signals, approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 7.2 Course designations will be signalled by a display of a placard on the Race Committee Signal boat.
- 7.3 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the approximate compass bearing of the first mark by displaying the first two (2) digits of the bearing rounded to the nearest ten (10) degrees. (Example. 270 degrees will be displayed as “27” and 90 degrees will be displayed as “09”)
- 7.4 The Leeward Mark or Leeward Gate is not a mark of the course during any windward leg, the final downwind leg or when the Race Committee Signal boat is flying Code Flag S.

## 8 MARKS

- 8.1 All marks of the course shall be inflatable tetrahedrons or cylinders.
- 8.2 The Start Mark and Finish Mark will be yellow.
- 8.3 Weather Mark and Leeward Mark or Gate Marks will be orange. Weather Mark for the J/70 Class only will be yellow.
- 8.4 Change of course marks will be yellow. Change of course marks for the J/70 Class will be orange.

## 9 THE START

- 9.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26.
- 9.2 Five (5) minutes prior to the their first warning signal, each boat intending to race shall check-in with the Race Committee Signal boat by hailing their sail number and class until acknowledged by the Race Committee. Radio check in is acceptable until the **first** warning signal of the day. Boats failing to check in may be protested.
- 9.3 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting mark at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 9.4 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 9.5 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.

## 10 RECALLS

A recalled class will drop to the end of the starting sequence. This changes RRS 29.2.

## 11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 11.1 **Before a Start:** To change the first leg of a course prior to the start, the Race Committee will display Code Flag C with multiple sounds prior to the warning signal of the next class to start. The change of the first leg of the course will apply to all classes that have not started. This changes RRS 33(b).
- 11.2 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark. This changes RRS 33(b).

## **12 SHORTENED COURSE**

When Code Flag S is flown from the Race Committee Signal boat, the race is shortened and boats shall finish between the Race Committee Signal boat flying Code Flag S and the original Finish Mark as designated on the course diagram. This changes RRS 32, 33 and Race Signal S.

## **13 THE FINISH**

13.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Signal boat and the finish mark to starboard of the Race Committee Signal boat.

13.2 If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes, she should report the date, the race, her class, her sail number, finishing time, and sail numbers of boats finishing ahead and behind, on a finish form and deposit the form in the finish form box located inside the clubhouse by the end of the Protest Time Limit.

## **14 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES**

14.1 The time limit to the first mark of the course is sixty (60) minutes. If no boat in its class has reached the mark by the time limit, the race shall be abandoned.

14.2 The time limit for a race is two hours. Failure to meet the time limit for reaching the first mark, or for sailing the course and finishing shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 35 and RRS 62.1(a).

14.3 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat of its class sails the course and finishes will be scored TLE for Time Limit Expired. The score for TLE shall be the number of boats starting the race, plus one (1). This changes RRS 35, 63.1, A4 and A5.

14.4 Wednesday Night races shall end no later than five (5) minutes after official sundown, as determined by the US Naval Observatory for the date of the race, at the latitude and longitude of EWYC S mark, and measured by the timing device on the Race Committee Signal boat. A list of time limits is attached as RACE SCHEDULE AND OFFICIAL SUNDOWN.

14.5 Boats that have not finished by five (5) minutes after official sundown shall be scored TLE. This changes RRS 35, 63.1, A4 and A5.

## **15 PENALTY SYSTEMS**

15.1 RRS 44.1 is modified to allow a boat to take a Penalties Taken after a Race (App T2) or an Arbitration Penalty (App T5) for a breach of a rule of Part 2 or Rule 31.

15.2 This Arbitration Penalty shall be 40% of the number of boats entered in her class (rounding 0.5 upward), added to her finish position. However she shall not be scored worse than "Did not finish". This changes App T5.3.

## **16 ARBITRATION**

16.1 For protests involving two (2) boats and an alleged breach of a rule of Part 2 or Rule 31, a short arbitration hearing will be held within 30 minutes of the end of the protest time limit or sooner. This changes RRS Part 5, Section B

16.2 After a written protest is delivered to the Protest Desk, one representative from each boat will meet with the arbitrator unless the protestor requests that the protest be withdrawn. No witnesses will be allowed. Protests not resolved by arbitration will be forwarded to the Protest Committee. See Appendix T

16.3 The acceptance of an Arbitration Penalty cannot be grounds for redress or be appealed.

16.4 The arbitrator will not be a member of the Jury that hears the protest but will be permitted to observe the testimony given to the Jury and offer testimony. This changes rule 63.3(a).

16.5 A boat that accepts the arbitrator's opinion that she broke a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 shall receive a penalty score of 40% as detailed in Sailing Instructions 15.1 and 15.2.

## **17 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 17.1 A boat intending to protest an incident that occurs in the racing area shall notify the race committee finish boat of her intention as soon as possible after finishing or retiring and shall include the sail number of the boat(s) being protested until acknowledged by the Race Committee signal boat. This changes RRS 61.1(a)
- 17.2 Protest forms are available at the Chart Room, located inside the EWYC Clubhouse. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 17.3 For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the Race Committee Signal boat docks.
- 17.4 Notices will be posted after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Chart Room, located inside the EWYC Clubhouse
- 17.5 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 17.6 Protests are to be delivered to the Arbitrator listed on the Official Notice Board within the Protest Time.
- 17.7 Protests will be heard by the Protest Committee based upon the schedule established by the Protest Committee Chairperson at his/her sole discretion. Hearing schedules shall be posted on the EWYCRP Official Notice Board.
- 17.8 Breaches of SI 5.3, 10.2, and 19 will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.

## **18 SCORING**

- 18.1 The scoring system and series scores are determined by the individual classes.
- 18.2 The Race Committee shall post the finish positions per race, and any adjustments to finish positions following protests or corrections by the Race Committee.
- 18.3 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat may complete a scoring inquiry form available at the race office.

## **19 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 19.1 A boat that retires from a race or leaves the race area between races shall notify the race committee by hail or VHF radio as soon as possible. A boat unable to notify the Race Committee shall inform the gas dock upon returning to shore. Failure to provide notice of retirement or leaving the race area may result in a protest by the Race Committee.

## **20 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 20.1 The Race Committee channel will be Marine VHF Channel 71.
- 20.2 The Race Committee may broadcast via Marine VHF Channel 71 or loud hailer, changing 90.2(c) as follows:
  - (a) an elimination of a class starting sequence (SI 5.5); or a combination of classes (SI 5.6)
  - (b) the sail number of a boat on the course side prior to the starting signal. This changes RRS 29.1.
- 20.3 The Race Committee failure to make any hail as described in SI 21.2; failure of a competitor to hear a hail; or the order of a hail shall not be grounds for redress. This changes 62.1.

## **21 PRIZES**

Prizes will be given as determined by the individual classes.

**DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the series entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

	A	B	C	D	E
1	Date	Day	Event - Drop Mark Course	Sunset	RC Duty
2	15-May	Wed	Practice Race	8:41	Highlander
3	19-May	Sun	Practice Race		Highlander
4	22-May	Wed	Club Race	8:47	Highlander
5	26-May	Sun	Club Race		Highlander
6	27-May	Mon	Claire Titgmeier Memorial Race		Fleet Captain
7	29-May	Wed	Club Race	8:53	Highlander
8					
9	2-Jun	Sun	Club Race		Highlander
10	5-Jun	Wed	Club Race	8:58	Highlander
11	8-Jun	Sat	JAM Regatta		JAM
12	9-Jun	Sun	Club Race		J70
13	12-Jun	Wed	Club Race	9:02	J/22
14	16-Jun	Sun	CRW- Club Races Suspended		
15	19-Jun	Wed	CRW- Club Races Suspended	9:05	
16	23-Jun	Sun	CRW- Club Races Suspended		
17	26-Jun	Wed	Club Race	9:04	J/22
18	30-Jun	Sun	Club Race		Dragon
19					
20	4-Jul	Thur	Nash Memorial Race		Fleet Captain
21	7-Jul	Sun	Club Race		Dragon
22	10-Jul	Wed	Club Race	9:01	Dragon
23	14-Jul	Sun	Thistle Districts Club Race		J/70
24	17-Jul	Wed	Club Race	8:57	Dragon
25	21-Jul	Sun	Club Race		Dragon
26	24-Jul	Wed	Club Race	8:51	J/22
27	28-Jul	Sun	Opti Great Lakes Club Race		NCWSA
28	31-Jul	Wed	Club Race - Deepwater	8:43	J/24
29					
30	4-Aug	Sun	Club Race		J/70
31	7-Aug	Wed	Club Race	8:35	J/22
32	11-Aug	Sun	Club Race		J/70
33	14-Aug	Wed	Club Race	8:25	J/22
34	18-Aug	Sun	Club Race		NCWSA
35	21-Aug	Wed	Club Race	8:15	J/24
36	25-Aug	Sun	Club Race		NCWSA
37	28-Aug	Wed	Club Race	8:04	JET14
38					
39	1-Sep	Sun	Club Race		J/70
40	2-Sep	Mon	Club Race		NCWSA
41	4-Sep	Wed	Club Race	7:52	J/24
42	8-Sep	Sun	Club Race		JET14
43	11-Sep	Wed	Club Race	7:40	Ensign
44	14-Sep	Sat	CSA Regatta		Fleet Captain
45	15-Sep	Sun	Club Race		NCWSA
46	21-Sep	Sat	NCWSA Regatta		NCWSA
47	22-Sep	Sun	Club Race		J/70
48	28-Sep	Sat	Jet 14 Chili Bowl		JET14
49	29-Sep	Sun	Club Race		NCWSA
50					
51	5-Oct	Sat	Sea Dog (PHRF Fleet)		PHRF
52	6-Oct	Sun	Final Gun		Fleet Captain
53	12,13 Oct		J70 Clam Bake		16-Apr

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**2013 Drop Mark Course Schedule**