

THE LAKE NORMAN HOSPICE REGATTA

1. RULES

1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2013 - 2016.

1.2 Eligible boats may be entered by completing registration with the organizing authority.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Bulletin Board located outside on the ground floor of the LNYC Race Management Center (RMC).

3. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted no less than one hour before the first Warning Signal on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Race Management Center flag mast.

4.2 Flag "AP" (Answering Pennant - red/white vertical stripes) with two sound signals (one when lowered) means the race is postponed. The Warning Signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after "AP" is lowered.

4.3 When a change to the Sailing Instructions is posted on the Official Bulletin Board, the change will be indicated by flying an "L" flag with a sound. Additional changes will be signaled by adding a numeral pennant ("2" for the second change with a sound, etc).

5. <u>SCHEDULE OF RACES</u>

Five races are scheduled. Races are scheduled as follows:

Day & Date Time Event

Sat., June 1	1055	1 st Warning, first race of the day; other races to follow
Sun., June 2	0925	1 st Warning, first race of the day; other races to follow
	1400	No warning signal after this time

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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS Divisions 1, 2 & 4

6. CLASS AND COURSE SIGNALS

6.1 A class of three or more boats will constitute a Fleet, and each Fleet shall start in its assigned Division. For Division 4, boats not qualifying as a Fleet will be assigned to a miscellaneous Portsmouth Handicap Fleet. Division assignments will be announced at the Competitors' meeting and posted on the official bulletin board.

6.2 Warning Signals for the starting sequence of each fleet will be numeral pennants. Each fleet will be advised of the numeral pennant for its start at the competitors' meeting.

6.3 Course signals will be displayed on placards posted at the side of the Signal boat. The numeral 2, 3 or 4 posted with the course designation indicates the number of times the course is to be sailed. The attached Diagram 'A' shows the courses, including the order in which marks are to be passed.

7. MANDATORY CHECK IN

Each boat shall check in by sailing by the Race Committee Signal Boat on starboard tack and hailing its sail number before the first warning signal each day. It shall continue to do so until acknowledged by the Race Committee. Failure to check in may result in not being scored.

8. <u>Marks</u>

8.1 For Divisions 1 and 2,

8.1.a Mark 1 will be a yellow cylinder and Mark 2 will be an orange tetrahedron.

8.1.b Mark 1a will be a small yellow or green tetrahedron.

8.2 For Division 4,

8.2.a Mark 1 will be an orange tetrahedron and Mark 2 will be an orange tetrahedron.

8.2.b Mark 1a will be a small yellow or green tetrahedron.

8.3 New marks when used in accordance with Instruction 10, "Changes of course after the start", will be a yellow tetrahedron. Subsequent change will use original marks.

8.4 The starting mark will be a white buoy and staff with an orange flag.

8.5 The finishing mark will be a white buoy and staff with an orange flag.

9. THE START

9.1 Races will be started using RRS 26.

9.2 Each Fleet shall start in its assigned Division or as designated at the competitors' meeting and posted on the official bulletin board. Each Fleet will have a Class Flag (numeral pennant) assigned which will be its Warning Signal. Assignments will be made at the competitors' meeting.

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

9.4 A boat starting more than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored "Did Not Start". This changes Rule A4.1.

10. <u>CHANGES IN COURSE AFTER THE START</u> (refer to RRS 33)

11. THE FINISH

11.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat and the nearby finishing mark.

11.2 The finish boat will display a blue "on station" flag to help distinguish it from other Race Committee boats.

11.3 Flag A displayed, with no sound, while boats are finishing means "no more racing today".

12. <u>**TIME LIMIT**</u>

12.1 The time limit for the lead boat of each Fleet to reach mark 1 will be 30 minutes, and 90 minutes for the lead boat of each Fleet to finish.

12.2 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the lead boat of its Fleet has finished may be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) and assigned a finish place equal to one place more than the last boat in that Fleet with a recorded finish time. The race committee will attempt to notify boats still racing; this changes A4.2.

13. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

13.1 Protests shall be written on forms available at the Race Management Center and delivered there within the Protest Time, which will begin at the time the race committee docks and end 30 minutes later. The race committee will sound one sound signal upon arrival at the dock, signifying the beginning of the protest period.

13.2 The Protest Committee will hear protests in approximately the order of receipt as soon as possible in the Race Management Center.

13.3 Protest notices will be posted on the official bulletin board within 15 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors that they are parties to a hearing or named as witnesses. It is each skipper's responsibility to check these notices and report for the hearing as notified.

13.4 On the last day of the Regatta, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered: a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day or, b) no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day. This changes Rule 66.

14. SCORING

14.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.

14.2 One race must be completed for each Fleet to constitute a Regatta for that Fleet.

14.3 The total score for each boat will be the sum of her scores for all races. This changes Rule A2.

15. <u>Prizes</u>

Prizes will be awarded according to the Notice of Race.

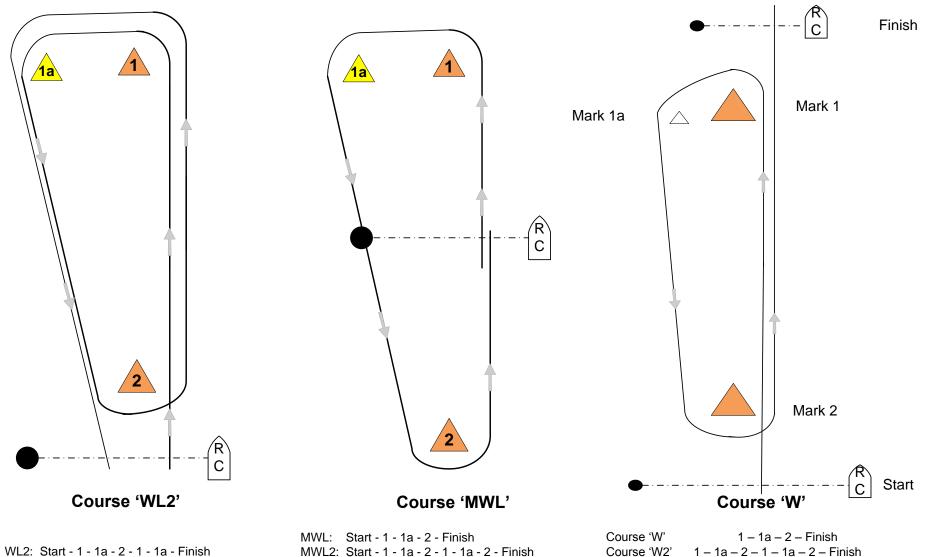
16. FUNDAMENTAL RULES AND SAFETY

16.1 Each boat is reminded of RRS Part 1 - Fundamental Rules.

16.2 In the event a boat retires, she shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

16.3 Each boat shall be equipped with all required safety gear and is subject to inspection by the Race Committee. Failure to have proper equipment could result in disqualification from a race or the Regatta.





WL3: Start - 1 - 1a - 2 - 1 - 1a - 2 - 1 - 1a - Finish

MWL2: Start - 1 - 1a - 2 - 1 - 1a - 2 - Finish MWL3: Start - 1 - 1a - 2 - 1 - 1a - 2 - 1 1a - 2 - Finish

1 – 1a – 2 – 1 – 1a – 2 – Finish Course 'W3' 1 - 1a - 2 - 1 - 1a - 2 - 1 - 1a - 2 - Finish