



2014 OXFORD REGATTA SAILING INSTRUCTIONS OPTI WHITE, BLUE, RED FLEETS



BRAVO COURSE
AUGUST 9TH & 10TH 2014

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1. RULES

This regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing, these sailing instructions and notices on the official bulletin board in the main clubhouse.

2. MANAGEMENT OF RACES:

Races will be sailed under the management of the Tred Avon Yacht Club Race Committee.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices and changes to Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official bulletin board located in the club house by 0900.

4. SKIPPERS' MEETING

Red, White & Blue Fleets 0930 Saturday

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

The regatta will consist of as many races as practical. There will be one throw-out if six races are completed and two throw-outs if 12 races are completed.

Saturday -First Warning 1030

Sunday, -First Warning 1000

No start after 1430

6. RACING AREA

The racing area will be south of TAYC, downriver on the Tred Avon River, between R2 and Pier St., **Bravo Course**

7. COURSES

7.1. The diagrams with identifying letters shown below indicate types of courses to be sailed. The identifying letter will be displayed from the Committee Boat before or with the warning signal. In the case of Course "T" and "W", the number of laps to be sailed will be indicated in connection with the course signal.

T - Triangle with start/finish in middle of windward leg.

O - Triangle followed by windward, leeward and windward with start/finish in middle of windward leg.

W - Windward, Offset Mark, Leeward with start/finish in middle of windward leg.

On multiple lap races the start/finish line must be crossed at the start of each lap.

7.2. The course can be changed or shortened at the discretion of the Race Committee at any mark of the course.

8. MARKS

The marks and pin used will be **ORANGE BEMIS BALLS**.

9. START

Races will be started using RRS 26. The starting line will be between the orange flag on the committee boat and the nearby orange starting mark. **The I flag may be used.**

10. RECALLS

10.1. Individual Recalls will be signaled by code flag "X" (White with blue cross) and one horn blast. The committee may hail the sail number(s) of the premature starter(s). Whether or not the hail is heard, responsibility for starting properly rests with each yacht. "X" flag will be dropped four minutes post start regardless of all boats clear.

10.2. General Recall will be signaled by display of code flag "First Substitute" (yellow and blue pennant) and two guns or horn blasts.

11. FINISH

The finish line will be between the orange flag on the committee boat and the nearby mark

12. TIME LIMITS

Race limited to 1 hour. Boats failing to finish within 25 min. after the first boat finishes will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS rule 35

13. SAFETY

13.1A boat shall not pass through the start/finish line of any other fleet.

13.2 Boats and coaches are required to sail by the signal boat and check-in prior to first race of the day. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the RC or Markboat ASAP.

13.3 All Competitors under 18 yrs old AND all Coaches SHALL properly wear USCG approved type III Personal Floatation Devices at all times while afloat except for brief periods while changing. Inflatable types are not permitted.

13.4 While afloat, competitors shall not have any contact with a coach that does not comply with this PFD requirement.

13.5 The Race Committee may protest boats not complying with part of this safety regulation. This changes RRS rule 40.

14. PROTESTS

A yacht desiring to protest must notify the other contestants involved. The protesting yacht shall notify the race committee boat at the finish of that race and receive acknowledgment. A written protest must be filed with the Race Committee within one hour after the committee boat returns to the dock. Time and location of protest meetings will be posted on the official bulletin board.

15. SCORING

The Low Point Scoring System will apply. 1 race completed shall constitute a series.

16. PRIZES

Awards will be presented at the trophy presentation at Harleigh 1630, Sunday, Gates open at 1600 hrs. **Jacket and tie required, ladies appropriate attire.**