



2014 JUNIOR LIPTON CHAMPIONSHIP

July 18-20, 2014

Organizing Authority: **Gulf Yachting Association**

Host Club: **Southern Yacht Club**

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Rules

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the “Racing Rules of Sailing”. US Sailing prescriptions of Appendix T, Sections A, B and C apply. “GYA Regulations for Sanctioned Events” found in the current GYA Directory and also at www.gya.org except as changed by these sailing instructions below shall apply.

2. Notice to Competitors

2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the ground floor lobby of SYC.

3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

3.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1100 on Saturday and before 0830 on Sunday, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted before 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4. Signals Made Ashore

4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the “A” frame located near the boat launching hoist area.

4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘not less than 30 minutes’ in the race signal AP.

5. Schedule of Races

5.1. **Number of Races:** Six (6) races are scheduled.

5.2. **Friday, July 18**

1300-1700 Registration - 2nd Floor Reception Area
1500 Warning signal for Practice Race
1600 Debriefing

Saturday, July 19

0800-1000 Registration
1100 Skippers Meeting – Ground Floor
1230 1st Warning Signal
Additional races to follow

Sunday, July 20

1000 1st Warning Signal
Additional races to follow
1500 **No races will start after this time**
Trophy presentation ASAP after last race.

Crew Changes: To comply with crew change requirements of GYA Regulation 31.3 the Race Committee asks that teams change crew on the water in the vicinity of the starting area. For teams without team support boats, the Host Club will have motor yachts, sailboats, and “scat boats” available to assist teams with crew changes. The

Race Committee discourages crews from returning to the harbor to change crew. This request for on the water crew changes is an attempt to reduce the time between races.

Crew Lists: See GYA Regulation 28.8. Team captains or their designees shall file Crew Lists each day before the end of protest time limit. The Crew List report shall be submitted to the Registration Desk.

6. Class Flag

6.1. The GYA Burgee shall be the class flag.

7. Racing Area

7.1. The racing area will be along the South Shore of Lake Pontchartrain and to the North of the SYC clubhouse.

8. Check In

8.1. Prior to the warning signal for each day's first start, each boat shall sail past the stern Race Committee Signal Boat and hail her sail number until acknowledged by the race committee.

9. Courses

9.1. The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9.2. No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the Course designation letter, number of laps, and approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

10. Marks

10.1. Marks W, L and R will be orange tetrahedrons.

10.2. Offset Mark "Os" will be an orange sphere.

10.3. New marks as provided in instruction 12 will be yellow tetrahedrons.

10.4. Starting and Finishing Marks will be orange tetrahedrons.

11. The Start

11.1. Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.

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

11.3. A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.

11.4. Individual Recall: The RC will attempt to hail each OCS boat. The failure of any boat to hear the hail, an untimely hail of OCS boats, failure to hail any boats, and the order of the boats in the hail shall not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a). This alters Rule 29.1 and shall not constitute infringement of Rule 41.

12. Change of the Course After the Start

12.1. 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.

12.2. As provided in RRS 33 (a) (2), the Race committee will display a green triangle for a change to starboard or a red rectangle for a change to port.

13. The Finish

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

13.2. Flag "R" displayed by the finish line committee boat indicates an additional race will be sailed.

14. Penalty System

14.1. US Sailing prescriptions in Appendix T Section A, rule T1 Applies: The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while

racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.”

14.2. US Sailing prescriptions in Appendix T Section B, “Penalties Taken After a Race” apply.

15. Time Limits

15.1. The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish will be 1½ hours. If no boat finishes within the time limit the race will be abandoned. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

16. Protests and Request for Redress

16.1. US Sailing prescriptions in Appendix T Section C, “Expedited Hearings” apply. RRS 61.1 (a) is changed by adding the following: “A boat intending to file a protest shall additionally, inform the race committee finishing line boat upon finishing or if unable to finish, at the first reasonable opportunity, of the sail number or otherwise identify the protested boat(s), and receive an acknowledgment from the race committee.” Failure to do so will make the protest invalid...

16.2. Protests shall be delivered to the Registration Desk within one (1) hour after the docking time of the RC boat as posted in accordance with instruction 2. Hearings will be held as soon as possible subject to the availability of the parties involved and the protest committee. This changes Rules 61.3 and 62.2.

16.3. Protests and Requests for Redress shall be written on forms available at the Registration Desk.

16.4. Notices will be posted on the Notice Board within 20 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors where and when there is a hearing in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Such posting shall constitute notice of hearing as required by rule 63.2.

17. Scoring

17.1. The Low Point Scoring System of RRS A4 will apply, except that no race scores will be excluded. This changes RRS A4.

17.2. One (1) race constitutes a series.

17.3. Series ties will be decided in accordance with GYA Regulation 25.2. This changes RRS A8.

18. Prizes

18.1. Prizes will be awarded as specified in the GYA Regulations for Sanctioned Events 27.1 and 30.9.

19. Safety Regulations and Responsibility

19.1. Each competitor is solely responsible for his or her personal safety. It shall be the sole responsibility of each boat to decide whether or not to start or to continue to race. A boat which retires from a race shall notify the race committee before leaving the racing area, or if that is not possible, at the first reasonable opportunity.

19.2. All skippers and crew members are **required** to wear U.S. Coast Guard-approved Type I, II or III life jackets (PFDs) while on board a competing boat that is away from the dock. This changes RRS 1.2

19.3. Competitors participate in the regatta at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority or host club 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.

19.4. In the interest of safety or to avoid unreasonable delays, the race committee, at its discretion and with concurrence of the judges, may order a capsized boat rescued and scored “Did not Finish”.

20. Contact Information:

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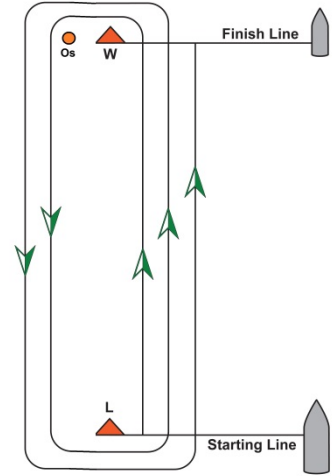
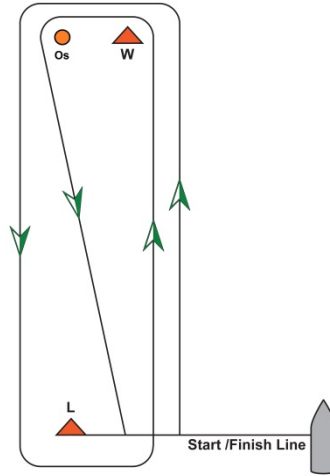
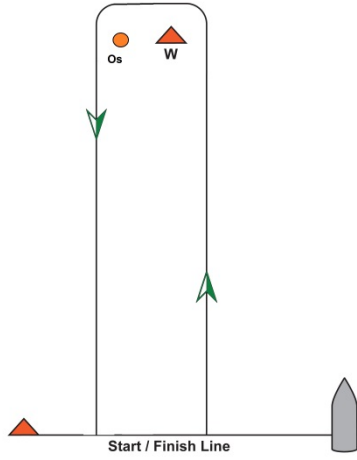
Chief Judge – Lloyd Causey - lloyd.causey@philips.com – (985) 517-6041

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Attachment "A" Courses



Windward Leeward Example

"W #"

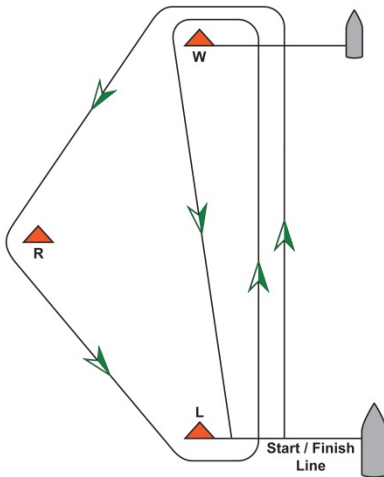
Where W is Windward-Leeward, # is number of laps.

"W1" Example
W-L Once Around

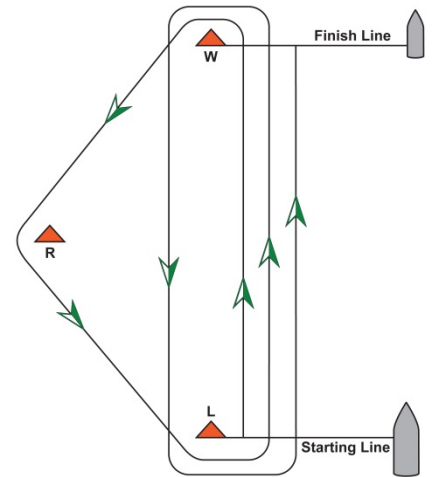
"W2" Example
W-L Twice Around

"W2.5" Example
W-L 2.5 Times around

Triangle Course Examples



"G"
Gold Cup Course



"O"
Olympic Course