



LARCHMONT YACHT CLUB
First Annual Sport Boat Grand Prix
May 23-24, 2015

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

1.2 Sections A, B and D of Appendix T will apply as changed:

(i) Appendix T1 of Section A is deleted and replaced with: The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'

(ii) Rule T2.2 of Section B is changed thus:

(a) 20% if taken before the protest time limit or before the beginning of arbitration, whichever is earlier, or

(b) 30% if taken before the beginning of a protest hearing involving the incident.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the front porch of the Clubhouse.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board before 0800 on the day it will take effect, except any change in 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 from the flagpole located on the front lawn of the Clubhouse.

4.2 If a postponement is signaled ashore, the first warning signal will be made not less than 1 hour after the AP is lowered.

5 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

5.1 Unless class rules prohibit their use, each boat shall carry a VHF radio capable of transmitting

and receiving on channels 16 and 72.

5.2 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communication not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to any form of mobile communication device.

5.3 Competitors may use a VHF radio to contact the race committee to notify that they are leaving or returning to the course and to report their intent to protest.

6 SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 23

0900-1000	Registration (veranda of Clubhouse)
1000-1015	Skippers Meeting (front lawn of Clubhouse)
1230	First Warning Signal

Sunday, May 24

1100	First Warning Signal
1600	No Warning Signal after this time
After racing	Awards Ceremony (front lawn of Clubhouse)

7 RACING AREA

7.1 The racing area will be located approximately 1 nm southerly of the Larchmont Harbor breakwater.

7.2 The race committee signal boat will be 'Satan's Toe'.

8 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be numeral pennants as shown below. Class insignias may be substituted.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Numeral Pennant</u>
Vipers	#1
J70s	#2
K6s	#3

9 COURSES

9.1 Course for each race will be Windward-Leeward, with the number of legs to be sailed indicated by a single digit posted on a course board on the race committee signal boat. This changes the Notice of Race

9.2 The race committee signal boat will display on a course board (illustrated below) the following:

- the approximate compass bearing to the first turning mark.
- the approximate range to the first turning mark.
- the class numbers for which the course applies.
- the number of legs to be sailed.

SAMPLE COURSE BOARD (showing a course of 210 degrees, 1.0 nm to the windward mark, for classes 1 through 3, with 4 legs in the race:

(aft)			(forward)
Bearing	Range	Division	Course
2	1.	1-3	4
1	0		
0			

9.3 All turning marks and finish pin shall be left to port, except as changed by 9.4.

9.4 The race committee may set a leeward gate in place of a leeward mark.

10 MARKS

10.1 All original marks will be inflatable buoys of one color: either yellow or orange.

10.2 New marks, as provided in Instruction 13, Changing the Next Leg of the Course, will be of the alternative color (or, if necessary, a buoy with a black band).

10.3 An offset mark may be set approximately 100 feet to port of the windward mark and will be a small orange or red buoy. If set, round the offset mark to port.

11 CHECK-IN AND RETIRING

11.1 Prior to the first warning signal for the first race each day, each boat shall sail by the stern of the race committee signal boat on starboard tack, hail her sail number and the number of persons on board and continue to do so until verbally acknowledged by the race committee

11.2 Boats retiring for the day, withdrawing from a race or not intending to start a race must notify the race committee or a safety boat before leaving the course, or when that is impossible, the front desk immediately upon arriving ashore.

12 THE START

12.1 The Race Committee reserves the right to start two or more classes together.

12.2 There may be a keep-away mark tied to the race committee signal boat and that mark shall be considered part of that boat.

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

12.4 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area and of all boats whose warning signal has been made.

12.5 A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

12.6 The race committee will endeavor to hail sail numbers of OCS boats. The timing and order of such hails and the failure to hear the hail shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a)

13 CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START

To change the next leg of the course, the Race Committee will set a new mark (or finish line) and remove the original mark as soon as practical. If there is a subsequent change of course, requiring a new mark to be replaced, it will be replaced with an original mark.

14 THE FINISH

14.1 The finish line will be between a staff displaying a yellow flag on a race committee boat and either: a yellow flag on the staff of a floating buoy for downwind finishes, or the windward mark for upwind finishes.

14.2 For downwind finishes, the finish mark will be located on the starboard side of the signal boat.

14.3 For upwind finishes, the finish mark will be located on the port side of the signal boat.

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

15 TIME LIMIT

15.1 The time limit for the first boat in each class to sail the course and finish will be 1 hour and 30 minutes.

15.2 A boat that fails to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat in her class finishes will be scored time limit expired (TLE).

15.3 If a boat in last place in a race is delaying the start of another race, the race committee may terminate the race and score that boat in the place she would have finished.

16 PROTESTS

16.1 A boat intending to protest shall notify the race committee promptly after finishing that race. This adds to rule 61.1(a).

16.2 Protest forms are available at the front desk. Written protests shall be delivered to the protest committee desk located on the second floor of the Clubhouse no later than 1 hour after the race committee signal boat docks.

16.3 The expiration time for filing written protests and a list of protests in the approximate order in which they will be heard will be posted on the official notice board. Hearings will begin as soon as practicable.

17 SCORING

17.1 One completed race constitutes a series.

17.2 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores if four or fewer races are completed.

17.3 A boat's worst score will be excluded from her series score if five or more races are completed, subject to rule 90.3(b).

17.4 A boat scored TLE will be scored points equal to the number of finishers in her class plus two points. This changes rules 35, A4.1, A4.2, A5, and A11.

18 SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

18.1 All competitors shall wear a U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) or CE approved personal flotation device while on the water, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Flag Y will not be displayed. This changes rule 40 and the preamble to the rules of Part 4.

18.2 Boats without engines shall carry a towing line not less than 35 feet long or less than 5/16" diameter and a paddle, unless this conflicts with the boat's class rules.

19 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

With the exception of Viper 640s and Rondar K6s, all boats must remain in the water throughout the regatta, except with the prior written permission of the OA.

20 PRIZES

20.1 Prizes will be awarded following the conclusion of racing on Sunday, May 24, on the front lawn of the Clubhouse.

20.2 First place for all classes with at least three competing boats.
Second place for all classes with at least four competing boats.
Third place for all classes with at least five competing boats.

21 NAVIGATION RULES

All boats are cautioned to observe the Navigation Rules of the Road and to yield right of way to vessels restricted in their ability to maneuver, especially to tugs and barges. Any boat observed to impede such traffic may be protested by the race committee.

22 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY/RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFETY

Competitors participate in the regatta 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.

23 FURTHER INFORMATION

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