



NSSC Doublehanded Championship Regatta

Saturday, September 19, and Sunday, September 20, 2020

Sailing Instructions



1. **Rules.** This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and as modified by the 2020 Anchor Bay Yacht Racing Association (ABYRA) Handbook and its addenda, this regatta's notice of race, and these sailing instructions.
2. **Notices to Competitors.** Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board on YachtScoring.com.
3. **Changes to Sailing Instructions.**
 - a. Changes to sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board by 0800 on Saturday, September 19.
 - b. Per RRS 90.2(c), when RC flies signal flag L, verbal changes may be given on the water altering any part of these instructions. If signal flag L is displayed, boats must come within hail of the RC boat.
4. **Signals Made Ashore.**
 - a. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the NSSC flag pole.
 - b. RRS Race Signals is changed as follows. When signal flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in the race signal AP.
5. **Schedule of Races.**
 - a. **Saturday.** One race is scheduled, with the warning signal for the first start scheduled for 1030.
 - b. **Sunday.** Two races are scheduled, with the warning signal for the first start scheduled for 1030 and the second race scheduled to follow soon after the finish of the first race.
 - c. **Jack and Jill Race.** The first race on Sunday is also the Jack and Jill Race, with the warning signal for the first start scheduled for 1030
6. **Class Flags.** Class splits, class flags, and order of start will be posted in the scratch sheet on YachtScoring.com by 0800 on the morning of the first race.
7. **Racing Area.**
 - a. **Saturday.** The racing area will be Lake St. Clair, south from government buoy 1PH to St. Clair Light and west to LSSC mark M.
 - b. **Sunday.** The racing area will be Anchor Bay, Lake St. Clair.





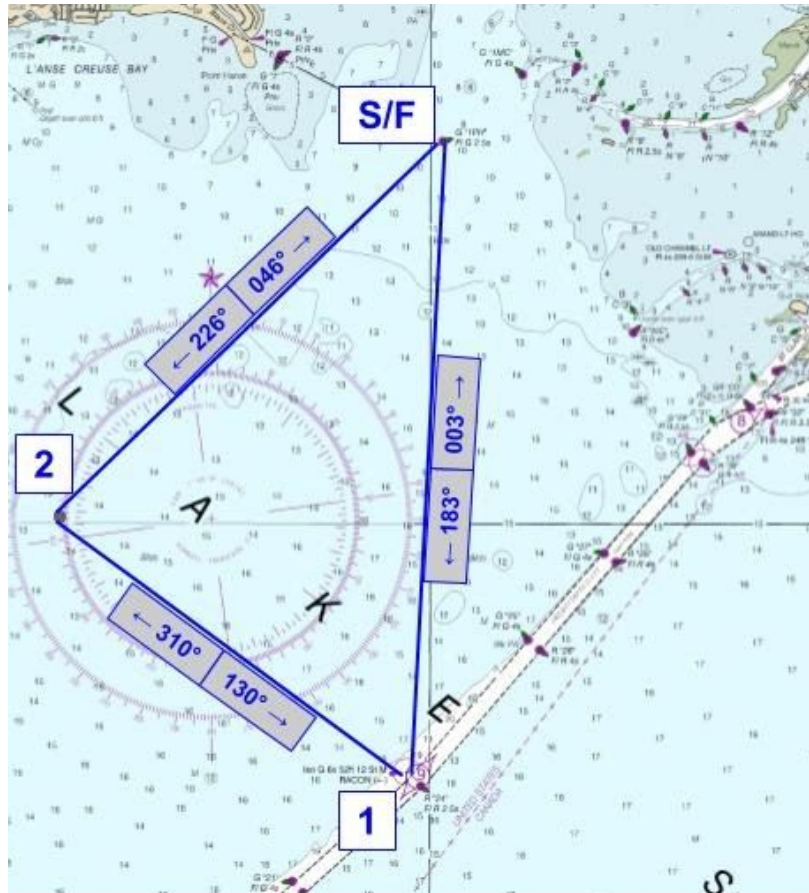
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- 8. Courses.
 - a. Saturday.



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Course	Signal	Order of Marks	Leave Marks to
1		Start-2-1-Finish	Port
2		Start-1-2-Finish	Starboard
3		Start-1-Finish	Port



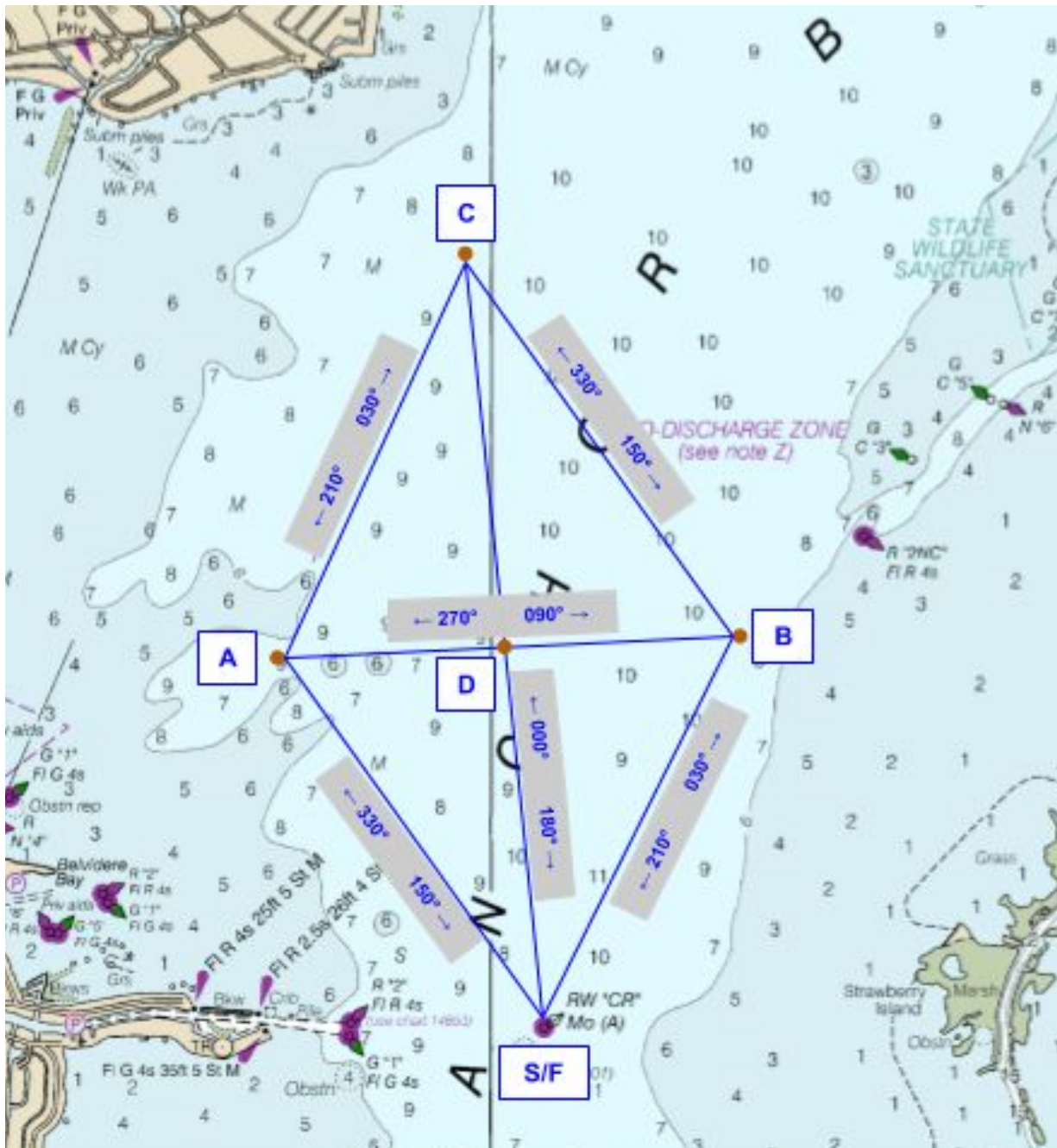
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b. Sunday.



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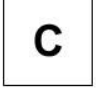


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Course	Signal	Order of Marks	Leave Marks to
Red		Start–B–A–Finish	Port
Green		Start–A–B–Finish	Starboard
C		Start–C–Finish	Port

9. Marks.

a. Saturday.

Mark	Description	Approximate Position
Start/Finish	Government buoy 1PH	42° 33.21' N, 82° 44.86' W
1	Lake St. Clair Lighthouse (Iso G 6s 52 ft 12 St M)	42° 27.89' N, 82° 45.21' W
2	LSSC race mark M	42° 30.22' N, 82° 48.99' W

b. Sunday.

Mark	Description	Approximate Position
Start/Finish	Government buoy CR	42° 35.64' N, 82° 44.72' W
A	ABYRA race mark A	42° 37.01' N, 82° 46.19' W
B	ABYRA race mark B	42° 37.27' N, 82° 43.84' W
C	ABYRA race mark C	42° 38.64' N, 82° 45.31' W
D	ABYRA race mark D	42° 37.14' N, 82° 45.02' W



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10. The Start.

- a. RRS 26 is unchanged.
- b. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC signal boat at the starboard end and the start buoy at the port end.
- c. The start buoy for Saturday is government buoy 1PH. The start buoy for Sunday is government buoy CR.
- d. The RC may set a protection buoy with a line attached to the signal boat. Boats shall not touch the protection buoy or pass between the protection buoy and the signal boat. Doing so shall be considered touching a mark. RRS 44.1 is unchanged.

11. Postponement or Abandonment Before the Start.

- a. RRS Race Signals is unchanged.
- b. RRS 27.3 is unchanged.

12. **Personal Flotation Devices.** RRS 40 is changed as follows. Skipper and crew must wear a USCG approved life vest with whistle attached from the time a boat begins racing until the boat finishes or retires.

13. **Individual Recall.** RRS 29.1 is unchanged. Broadcast of recalled sail numbers on VHF Channel 69 may also be used, but is not required.

14. **General Recall.** RRS 29.2 is changed as follows. If the race committee signals a general recall (display flag First Substitute with two sounds), the recalled class shall restart after all other classes have started. Broadcast of the recall notice on VHF Channel 69 may also be used, but is not required.

15. **Shortening or Abandonment After the Start.** RRS 32 is unchanged.

16. **The Finish.** The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a boat displaying an RC flag and the finish buoy. The finish buoy for Saturday is government buoy 1PH. The finish buoy for Sunday is government buoy CR.

17. Time Limits.

- a. **Saturday.** The time limit to sail the course is six hours for each class. One yacht finishing within the time limit constitutes a race for its class and extends the time limit for its class by 60 minutes.
- b. **Sunday.** The time limit to sail the course is three hours for each class. One yacht finishing within the time limit constitutes a race for its class and extends the time limit for its class by 30 minutes.

18. **Protests and Requests for Redress.** A yacht that wishes to protest another yacht shall comply with the provisions of RRS 61, RRS 62, and the 2020 ABYRA Handbook. All protests will be heard by the DRYA Protest Committee.

19. **Scoring.** RRS A2 is changed as follows. One race completed constitutes a series. All races will be included in series scoring.



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20. Safety Regulations.

- a. All yachts are required to monitor VHF channel 69 during the race.
- b. **Shipping Channel.** No boat shall in any way hinder commercial shipping during this event. Any boat hindering commercial shipping will be disqualified. If commercial shipping is forced to issue a warning signal (5 or more short blasts) that is evidence that you have hindered commercial shipping and should abandon the race.
- c. **Retirement.** A boat that retires from a race or leaves the racing area is requested to notify the RC on VHF channel 69 or by hailing any RC boat. A boat that subsequently returns to the racing area is asked to check in with the RC signal boat on VHF channel 69. There will be no penalty for not checking out or back in.

21. Sails and Equipment.

- a. **Sail Numbers.** Time will not be taken if a boat's mainsail, overlapping jib, and spinnaker do not bear the proper number or bear the same number as another yacht in its class, unless the Race Committee is notified prior to the start of the race.
- b. **Equipment.** Every entrant is required to carry all U.S. Coast Guard required equipment.
- c. **SPIN classes.** Spinnakers allowed.
- d. **JAM classes.** No symmetrical or asymmetrical spinnakers, oversize whisker poles, staysails, or double head rigs may be used except as provided by the class rules. See below for NSSC Doublehanded Class Rules.

22. **Awards.** Results and awards will be presented at North Star Sail Club after dinner, on Sunday, at approximately 1730. Flags will be awarded for the first three finishers in each class.

23. **Disclaimer of Liability.** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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.

24. **Insurance.** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

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DOUBLEHANDED CLASS RULES

North Star Sail Club

The race rules for doublehanded classes are the same as DRYA (Detroit Regional Yacht Racing Association) Handbook Section 15 Titled "DRYA PHRF Rules and Regulations" located at:

<http://drya.org/phrf/handbook/Handbook.pdf>, with the following exceptions. They may be modified for any specific race by published notice. The roller furling guideline for all races is DRYA Credit for Roller Furling Genoas rule 15.12. with the noted exceptions.

1. Two and only two persons shall be aboard the yacht during the race.
2. Self-steering devices and autopilots are permitted.
3. Asymmetrical spinnakers (gennakers, cruising spinnakers) shall be considered "spinnakers", permitted subject to the same maximum size restrictions, if any, which otherwise apply to spinnakers.
4. A ketch or yawl may also fly a mizzen.
5. Unless a doublehanded start is specifically designated to be "jib and main" or "JAM", the jib and main restrictions below shall not apply.
6. If a doublehanded start is specifically designated to be "jib and main" or "JAM" the following rules apply:
 - a. Except as provided below, a yacht may sail only with a main and one foresail at a time, except when changing foresails. If a roller furling credit is taken then sail changes must be bareheaded.
 - b. A properly rigged cutter may fly a yankee and staysail at the same time provided that the combined area of the yankee and staysail does not exceed the area of a 155% Genoa.
 - c. Foresails (including yankee and staysail on a cutter) must be flown hanked on or otherwise attached at the luff along its length and may not exceed 155% of the fore triangle, unless the rating reflects the additional area.
 - d. Whisker poles or spinnaker poles, with a length equal to or less than J, are permitted to pole out a foresail.