

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

HELLY HANSEN NATIONAL OFFSHORE ONE-DESIGN REGATTA
ANNAPOLIS YACHT CLUB APRIL 30 - MAY 2, 2021 ANNAPOLIS, MD

Presented by Mount Gay Rum & Sailing World

SAILING WORLD AND THE ANNAPOLIS YACHT CLUB ARE CO-ORGANIZING AUTHORITIES (OA) FOR THIS REGATTA. THE ANNAPOLIS YACHT CLUB (AYC) IS THE HOST CLUB AND WILL PROVIDE RACE MANAGEMENT ASSISTED BY EASTPORT YACHT CLUB AND THE SEVERN SAILING ASSOCIATION. THIS IS AN OFFICIAL US SAILING SANCTIONED EVENT.

THE NOTATION '[DP]' IN A RULE IN THESE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIS) MEANS THAT THE PENALTY FOR A BREACH OF THAT RULE MAY, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE PROTEST COMMITTEE, BE LESS THAN DISQUALIFICATION.

THE NOTATION '[NP]' IN A RULE IN THESE SIS MEANS IT SHALL NOT BE GROUNDS FOR PROTEST BY A BOAT. THIS CHANGES RRS 60.1(A).

1 RULES

- 1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2** The US Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 63.1 and 63.2 shall not apply.
- 1.3** For the J/70 Class: Class Rules Part III Sections I.3 (Outside Help) and I.4 (Corinthian Division) will apply.
- 1.4** J105 Class Rules are modified by Article IX of the local J-105 Fleet-3 Article/Rules. This event is designated Level 1A. J-105 Fleet-3 Articles/Rules can be found at <https://www.j105fleet3.org/rules>.
- 1.5** The J/111 Class will be sailing the NOOD regatta as their 2021 North American Championship.
- 1.6** [DP] Boats shall not fly drones while racing or in the racing area.
- 1.7** [DP] Additional documents containing rules that apply regarding the host club's restrictions with regard to the COVID-19 virus will be posted on the Official Notice Board located at https://yachtscore.com/notice_board_summary.cfm?eid=13226.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions (SIs) will be posted before 0830 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located on the race website at https://yachtscore.com/notice_board_summary.cfm?eid=13226.

It is the responsibility of each competitor to check the Official Notice Board for any amendments or notices.

3.2 On the water, the race committee intends to provide information on VHF radio. The division channels will be published in SI Addendum 1.

3.3 [DP] [NP] Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

4.2 Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.

4.3 The Skipper/Owner of each boat participating in the regatta shall be responsible for the behavior of each member of the crew of his/her boat both on the water and while ashore.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

No official signals will be displayed ashore. Notifications to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 Ten races are scheduled. On the last scheduled day of the regatta no more than two races will be sailed.

6.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first start of the first race each day is 1100.

6.3 On the last scheduled day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1430.

7 DIVISIONS, CLASS FLAGS, INITIAL STARTING ORDER AND VHF CHANNELS

7.1 Division, initial starting order, and VHF channels will be defined in SI Addendum 1 which will be posted on the Official Notice

Board.

7.2 Divisions will be identified by number and color to be described in SI Addendum 1.

7.3 The signal vessels for each division will fly the colored flag for their division each morning on the way to the starting area and until their first scheduled warning signal.

8 RACING AREA

8.1 The racing area will be the Chesapeake Bay. The general racing area of each division will be included in SI Addendum 1.

8.2 Approximately 30 minutes prior to the first scheduled warning signal, the race committee will announce location of the anchored race committee signal vessel on VHF radio.

9 COURSES

9.1 The courses are as shown in the Course Diagrams and Descriptions.

9.2 Prior to the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will announce on VHF radio the course to be sailed, the approximate distance between the leeward and windward marks, and the approximate compass bearing of the first leg of the course.

10 MARKS

10.1 Marks will be defined in SI Addendum 1.

10.2 Prior to the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel may announce on VHF radio that the first mark will be a change mark (see SI 12.1).

11 THE START

11.1 Races will be started using RRS/US Appendix U, Audible-Signal Racing System, with all hails being made by VHF radio.

11.2 Prior to the warning signal, the race committee will announce the next class to start on VHF radio.

11.3 The starting line will be between the staff or halyard displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal vessel at the starboard end, and either the course side of the starting mark or the staff or halyard displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel at the port end.

11.4 [DP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

11.5 A boat that does not start within 10 minutes after her starting signal will be

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scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

12 RECALLS

12.1 Recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.1 and 29.2 (this changes RRS/US U1, U2, and replaces RRS/US U4).

12.2 The race committee will announce on VHF radio boats identified as OCS, UFD, or BFD. A boat may not base a request for redress on the failure to hear or receive the announcements, the timeliness of announcement or the order in which boats are announced. This changes RRS 62.1(a) and RRS/US U5.

13 CHANGE OF POSITION OF THE NEXT MARK

13.1 The race committee may, without signal, move a mark to change the direction up to 10 degrees or the length up to 10% of the previous length, or adjust the angle or width of the leeward gate, provided that no boat is sailing to the mark.

13.2 The race committee may, when signalled in accordance with RRS 33, will lay a new mark as described in SI Addendum 1 (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.

13.3 When flag Q is displayed with flag C, the change will apply only to boats beginning their final leg to the finish. This changes RRS 33 and Race Signals.

14 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between the staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee finishing vessel and either the course side of the nearby finishing mark or the staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee vessel on the other end.

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

15.1 US Sailing Prescription Appendix V – ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES will apply.

15.2 Penalties after racing: RRS Appendix T – ARBITRATION will apply.

16 TIME LIMIT

16.1 If no boat sails the course and finishes within 2 hours the race will be abandoned.

16.2 Boats failing to finish 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and

finishes will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired, see Scoring) and should proceed to the starting area if another race is scheduled. The race committee boat at the finishing line will lower the blue shape or flag with a long sound signal when the 30-minute period has expired for all classes. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

17 HEARING REQUESTS

17.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the race committee signal boat docks. The time will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

17.2 Hearing request forms, scoring inquiry forms, and penalty acceptance forms can be found online at <https://annapolisyc.com/racing/raceoffice> or on the event web site under General Race Forms. They shall be delivered to the race office by email to raceoffice@annapolisyc.org.

17.3 Hearing requests shall be delivered to the race office by the protest time limit.

17.4 When the race committee receives a scoring inquiry form, it will review its records and respond as soon as practicable. The time limit for requesting redress based on a scoring inquiry is 30 minutes after posting of the results of the scoring inquiry. Except on the last day of the event, if this time limit is after 2000 hours, it is extended to 0830 the following morning. This changes rule 62.2.

17.5 The protest committee intends to conduct hearings either in person at the AYC Sailing Center OR via tele - or video-conferencing. The protest committee will post a notice to inform competitors of the schedule and location of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

17.6 The race committee will post a list of race committee scoring actions no later than the protest time limit.

18 SCORING

18.1 One completed race shall constitute a series.

18.2 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores without discard.

18.3 Boats to be scored TLE and not thereafter retiring, being penalized, or given redress will be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus two points by the race committee without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.1, A4.2 and A5.

19 SAFETY REGULATIONS

19.1 [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as practicable.

19.2 RRS 40 (Personal Buoyancy) is replaced by: "It shall be the individual responsibility of each competitor to wear adequate personal buoyancy when conditions warrant."

19.3 [NP] A boat shall not exercise right of way, cross in proximity to, or interfere with reasonable transit of the race area by commercial ships, tugs, or barges. Boats must take evasive action well in advance of a potentially dangerous situation. The US Coast Guard, ship captains, and bay pilots have been encouraged to report any incident they observe.

19.4 The race committee or protest committee may protest a boat for breaking SI 18.3 based on information received from any source. The protest time limit does not apply. This changes RRS 60.2, 60.3, 61.3, and 63.6.

20 ADVERTISING

20.1 Boats are urged to refrain from displaying advertisements for businesses or products competing with those of the primary and support sponsors of the event.

20.2 Competitors are requested to attach easily removable boom stickers, provided in the Skipper's package, to both sides of the boat's boom while racing.

20.3 At the discretion of the OA, bow numbers may also be required for some classes. If required, they will be provided and shall be placed on both sides of the boat's bow.

21 PRIZES

21.1 Prizes will be awarded by class.

21.2 Each class winner is eligible for the 2021 Helly Hansen Caribbean NOOD Championship. The designated Challenger will be drawn at the conclusion the event.

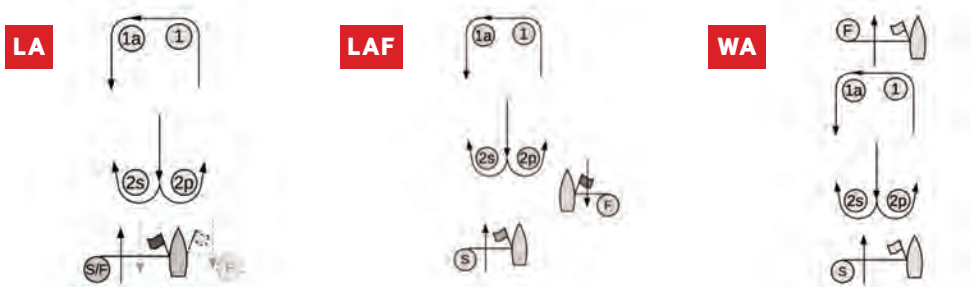
22 PHOTOGRAPHERS AND TV RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute right and permission to the OA for any photographs or video footage taken of themselves or their competing boat to be published in any media whatsoever; for either editorial

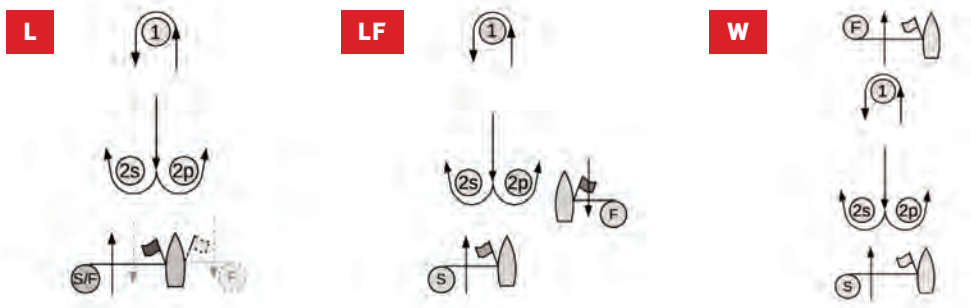
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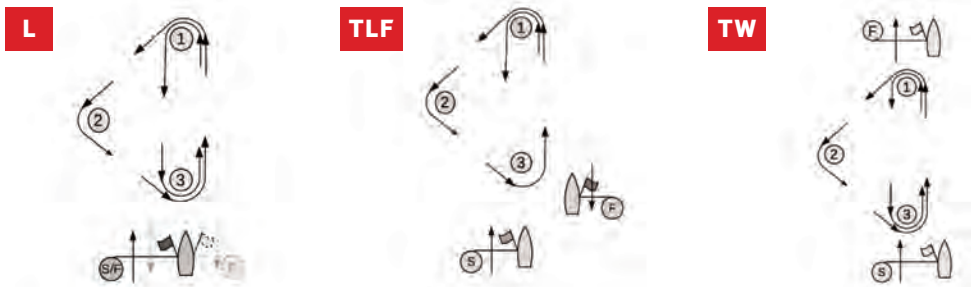
All marks except 2S are to be rounded to port. If there is only one mark at a leeward gate, that mark will be "2p" and shall be rounded to port. The color and shape of the marks will be as described in SI Addendum 1.



<p>LA2: Start-1-1a-s/2p-1-1a-Finish</p> <p>LA3: Start-1-1a-s/2p-1-1a-2s/2p-1-1a-Finish</p>	<p>LA2F: Start-1-1a-2s/2p-1-1a-Finish</p> <p>LA3F: Start-1-1a-2s/2p-1-1a-2s/2p-1-1a-Finish</p>	<p>WA2: Start-1-1a-2s/2p-Finish</p> <p>WA3: Start-1-1a-2s/2p-1-1a-2s/2p-Finish</p>
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<p>L2: Start-1-2s/2p-1-Finish</p> <p>L3: Start-1-2s/2p-1-2s/2p-1-Finish</p>	<p>L2F: Start-1-2s/2p-1-Finish</p> <p>L3F: Start-1-2s/2p-1-2s/2p-1-Finish</p>	<p>W2: Start-1-2s/2p-Finish</p> <p>W3: Start-1-2s/2p-1-2s/2p-Finish</p>
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<p>TL2: Start-1-2-3-1-Finish</p> <p>TL3: Start-1-2-3-1-3-1-Finish</p>	<p>TL2F: Start-1-2-3-1-Finish</p> <p>TL3F: Start-1-2-3-1-3-1-Finish</p>	<p>TW2: Start-1-2-3-Finish</p> <p>TW3: Start-1-2-3-1-3-Finish</p>
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or advertising purposes, or to be used in press information.

23 RISK, DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY, WAIVERS, PERSONAL CONDUCT

23.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4, Acceptance of the Rules. The OA and AYC 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.

23.2 The Skipper/Owner of each boat participating in the regatta shall be responsible for the behavior of each member of the crew of his/her boat both on the water and while ashore. The destruction of property, the breach of reasonable standards of good sportsmanship by any crew member, or any other person associated with the boat, or the failure of any of those persons to comply with the state and local laws, guidelines and recommendations as well as the host club's restrictions or with any reasonable request of the Organizing Authorities, Race Officers, Regatta Committee members, or their representatives, may result in the disqualification of the boat, and its exclusion from the regatta.

23.3 It is the skipper obligation to ensure that each crew member's waiver is completed on Yacht Scoring by 7pm Thursday, April 29, 2021.

24 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$500,000 per incident or the equivalent. Competitors shall be prepared to supply proof of insurance upon request by the OA