



T-TEN NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Hosted by Racine Yacht Club (RYC)

August 19 - 22, 2021

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the SI 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 the SI means that instruction is not grounds for protest or a request for redress by a boat. This changes rule 60.1.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), including the Bylaws of the T-10 Class Association and the T-10 North American Championship Regulations.
- 1.2 The US Sailing prescription to RRS 63.2 will not apply.
- 1.3 Appendix T – “Arbitration” will apply.
- 1.4 RRS V1, a US Sailing prescription – “Penalty at the Time of an Incident,” will apply, changing RRS 44.1.
- 1.5 RRS V2, a US Sailing prescription – “Post-Race Penalties” will apply.
- 1.6 Sponsor or other regatta stickers may be required to be attached to each side of each boat as required by the Organizing Authority. [NP]

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not less than 2 hours prior to the first scheduled race on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 hrs on the day before it will take effect or the protest time limit, whichever is later.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board on the event’s site at YachtScoring.com and on the glass located next to the main entry door of RYC. The race office will be at RYC.
- 3.2 There will be a competitors’ meeting at RYC at 1600 with the national meeting to follow.
- 3.3 Radio communications between boats and the Race Committee will be on a VHF radio channel announced at the competitors’ meeting and posted on the official notice board.
- 3.4 [NP] The following communications may be made by the race committee using the designated VHF Channel in addition to any Race Signals (*this changes RRS 29, 32, 33 and 41*): Courses, including the bearing and distance to the first mark; postponements and abandonments; boats identified as OCS and general recalls; changing courses or marks and identify marks; shortening the course; time limits.
- 3.5 [DP] A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

4 CODE OF CONDUCT [NP][DP]

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

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the club flagpole at RYC, south of the clubhouse.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, “1 minute” is replaced with “not less than 60 minutes” in race signal AP. *This changes Race Signals AP.*

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 Racing is scheduled as follows:

Wednesday, August 18

1810 Warning signal for optional practice race

Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday - August 19-22

1100 First warning signal, additional races to follow

- 6.2 The Race Committee (RC) will attempt to run three races on each day (two on the last day of the event), conditions permitting. Eleven total races are scheduled. The RC may run four races in one day, but in no event will the number of races be more than one ahead of schedule.
- 6.3 No warning signal will be made after 1400 hrs on Sunday, August 22.

7 CLASS FLAGS

The class flag will be a **white** flag with the T-Ten logo.

8 RACING AREA

The racing area will be northeast of RYC in the open waters of Lake Michigan.

9 THE COURSES

- 9.1 The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses, including the course designation, 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 The RC intends to have a gate at the leeward end of the course. However, a single leeward mark may be set, in which case it shall be left to port.
- 9.3 The RC signal boat will display on its starboard side the course designation on a placard and may also display the approximate compass bearing and distance of the first leg.

10 MARKS

- 10.1 Mark 1 (the weather mark) will be an **orange** inflatable mark.
- 10.2 Marks 2S and 2P (the gate) will be **orange** inflatable marks.
- 10.3 The offset mark (1A) will be a **white** “hippity-hop” style mark.
- 10.4 New marks, as provided in instruction 12.1, will be a **yellow** inflatable mark.
- 10.5 The starting and finishing marks will be small **yellow** cylinders or an anchored boat displaying the appropriate colored flag – orange for start and blue for finish.

11 THE START

- 11.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat and the staff displaying an orange flag or course side of the mark as described in instruction 10.5.
- 11.2 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal shall be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. *This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.1.*

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1 To change the position of the next mark, the RC 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 When Mark 1 (the weather mark) is replaced by a new mark, there will be no offset mark (Mark 1a).

13 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the RC signal boat and the staff displaying a blue flag staff or the course side of the mark as described in instruction 10.5.

14 TIME LIMITS

- 14.1 **Time limits and target times are as follows:**

Class	Race Target Time	Race Time Limit	Mark 1 Time Limit
T-10	60 minutes	180 minutes	60 minutes

If no boat has passed Mark 1 (the initial windward mark) within the Mark 1 time limit the race shall be abandoned.

- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat in their division sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. *This changes RRS 35, A5.1, and A5.2.*

15 HEARING REQUESTS

- 15.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the RC Signal Boat docks at the end of each racing day or when the RC signals 'No more racing today' ashore, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 15.2 Hearing request forms are available near the Official Notice Board or online ([US Sailing Hearing Request Form](#)).
- 15.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room in the RYC clubhouse, beginning at the time posted on the official notice board.
- 15.4 Notices of Race Committee or Protest Committee protests will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

16 SCORING

- 16.1 Four (4) races will constitute a series.
- 16.2 In accordance with RRS A2, each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores with no score excluded.

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS [DP][NP]

- 17.1 Before the start of the first race of the day, and after any postponement ashore, competitors are requested to sail past the stern of the signal boat on starboard tack and hail their sail numbers to check in.
- 17.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify a safety boat or the RC as soon as possible.

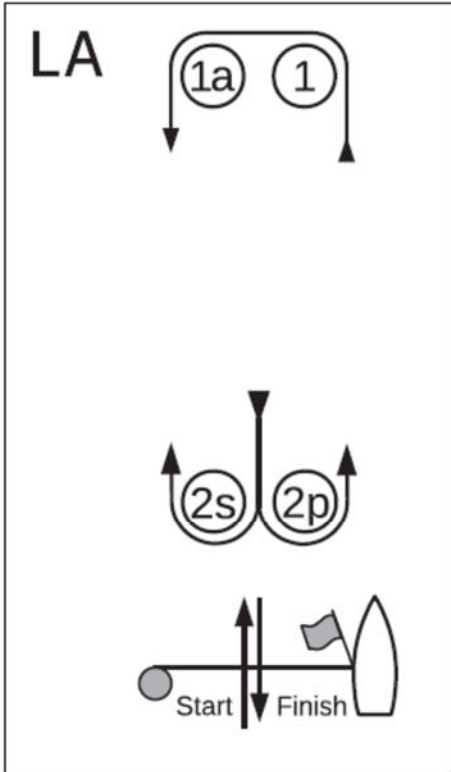
18 RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

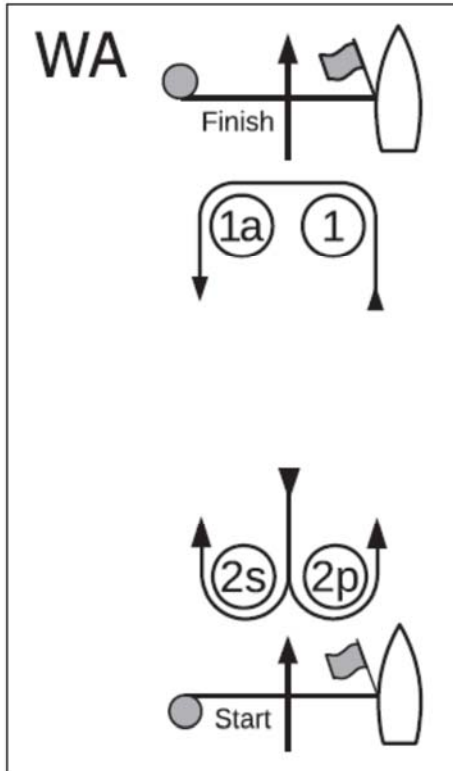
19 AWARDS

- 19.1 The following T-10 Fleet trophies will be awarded:
 - North American Championship Trophy** - First Place overall
 - Sparkman & Stevens Performance Trophy** - Awarded to the boat who wins an individual race by the widest time margin.
 - Charlie Britton Memorial Award** - Awarded to the best performing boat of those boats with an overall standing score midpoint or greater at the end of the second race. In the event of an odd numbered boat, the odd numbered boat will be eligible for the award. Prior North American Champions are not included, nor the Champion of the current regatta.
 - Elaine & Wes Pignolet Award** - Awarded to the best performing boat of those boats with three or more family members sailing the regatta.
 - George Ward Husband and Wife Award** - Awarded to the best performing boat with husband and wife aboard who are: the sole registered owners, members of the T-10 Class Association and sailed all races.
 - Schramy Award** - Awarded to boat in the top five places at the end of the second day of racing with the lowest final score.
- 19.2 Corinthian Award - A prize will be offered for the best performing Corinthian boat, defined as a boat skippered and crewed throughout the regatta by certified World Sailing Category 1 sailors.
- 19.3 Prizes will be awarded to the top three places overall.
- 19.4 Daily prizes will be awarded.

ATTACHMENT A
ILLUSTRATING THE COURSES



Course LA – Windward/Leeward with Offset Mark, Leeward Finish	
Signal	Mark Rounding Order
LA2	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – Finish
LA3	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – Finish
LA4	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – Finish



Course WA – Windward/Leeward with Offset Mark, Windward Finish	
Signal	Mark Rounding Order
WA2	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – Finish
WA3	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – Finish
WA4	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – Finish