



*Red Horse Regatta*  
**Chicago Yacht Club**  
August 5 and 6, 2023

**Belmont Station, Chicago, IL**

## **Sailing Instructions (SIs)**

### **ABBREVIATIONS**

**[DP]** Rules for which the penalties are at the discretion of the protest committee.

**[NP]** Rules that are not grounds for a protest or request for redress by a boat. ***This changes RRS 60.1(a).***

### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The event is governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Appendices T and V1 shall apply.
- 1.3 The US Sailing prescriptions to 63.2 shall not apply.
- 1.4 Crew substitutions or changes shall be recorded online prior to the start of racing each day.
- 1.5 **[DP]** Drones shall not be flown in the racing area except with prior authorization by the OA.

### **2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 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.
- 2.2 Verbal changes to the SIs may be made on the water by signaling flag Lima. Additional courtesy announcements may be made on VHF.

### **3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS**

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board online at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=16170>.
- 3.2 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors via VHF radio on channel 73.
- 3.3 **[DP]** While racing, except in an emergency, a boat 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**

**[DP]** 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 main flagpole at the northeast of the Belmont Station Barge. In addition, signals made ashore may be distributed, as a courtesy, to the email or text address listed in a boat's entry form. Failure to receive courtesy electronic communications shall not be grounds for a request for redress. ***This changes RRS 62.1(a).***



5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

## 6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 The races will be held August 5 and 6, 2023.
- 6.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1055.
- 6.3 No warning signal shall be made after 1530 on the last day of racing.
- 6.4 Up to 4 races are scheduled for each class per day for a total of 8 races for the series.

## 7 CLASS FLAGS

Class	Class Flag
Tom 28s	Code T (Tango)
International Etchells	Class Insignia
Shields	Class Insignia
J/70	Numeral Pennant Seven (7)

## 8 RACING AREA

The racing area will be east of Belmont Harbor.

## 9 COURSES

- 9.1 The diagram(s) in SI Addendum 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 vessel will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

## 10 MARKS

- 10.1 Rounding marks will be orange inflatable shapes or orange robotic marks.
- 10.2 Routine movement of robotic marks will not be grounds for redress. This includes marks returning to station after having been pushed away by a boat or competitor and collisions with marks that do not cause damage. RRS 31 still applies.
- 10.3 Finishing mark may be an orange inflatable or white shape per the course diagrams.

## 11 OBSTRUCTIONS

The following area(s) are designated as an obstruction:

- a) The area around the pumping stations (cribs) and the marks placed around them by the US Coast Guard. Boats shall not sail between the marks.

## 12 THE START

- 12.1 Races will be started using RRS 26.
- 12.2 The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 12.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.



- 12.4 If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to hail her sail number on VHF 73. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a redress for request. ***This changes RRS 62.1(a).***
- 12.5 A boat that does not start within four minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. ***This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.***
- 12.6 The race committee may combine classes for a start by displaying both class flags at the warning.
- 12.7 The race committee may modify the starting sequence after the first race of the regatta for any subsequent races.

**13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

- 13.1 The angles between marks 1 and marks 2/2s/2p may be changed up to 15 degrees in either direction and length up to 10% to compensate for wind/current changes without signals, provided the change is made before any boat begins that leg. ***This is added to RRS 33.***

**14 THE FINISH**

- 14.1 The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the signal vessel and the course side of the finishing mark.
- 14.2 Flag A displayed, with no sound signal, while boats are finishing means "No more racing today."

**16 TIME LIMITS**

- 16.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below in minutes.

Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
30 min	120 min	20 min

- 16.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned for that class.
- 16.3 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized, or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window. ***This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.***

**17 HEARING REQUESTS**

- 17.1 Protests and requests for redress shall be filed in person at the protest desk at Chicago Yacht Club Belmont Station within the appropriate time limit.
- 17.2 Alternatively, hearing requests forms are available from the US Sailing RRS mobile app and can be submitted to [regattamanager@chicagoyachtclub.org](mailto:regattamanager@chicagoyachtclub.org) within the appropriate time limit.
- 17.2 A boat's protest time limit is 60 minutes from the docking time of the Signal Boat.
- 17.3 Hearings will be held in person at CYC Belmont Station.

**18 SCORING**

- 18.1 The scoring system is as follows: Low Point Scoring.



- 18.2 2 races are required to be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 18.3 A boat's total score will be the sum of her scores for all races if three (3) or fewer races have been completed.
- 18.4 If four (4) or more races have been completed, a boat's total score will be the sum of her scores from all races minus her worst score.

## 19 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 19.1 Each boat shall check in by sailing past the race committee signal boat, hailing or displaying her sail number, and receiving an acknowledgement from the race committee prior to her first race on each day of racing. A boat found to have broken SI 19.1 may receive a scoring penalty for her first race that day equal to 20% of the number of competitors registered in her class.
- 19.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee either before leaving the course or, if that is impracticable, immediately after arriving ashore. A boat may notify the race committee using the designated VHF hailing channel. A boat found to have broken SI 19.2 may receive a scoring penalty in every race that day equal to 20 percent of the number of competitors registered in her class. ***This changes RRS 63.1.***

## 20 RISK STATEMENT

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## 21 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded in accordance with the NoR.

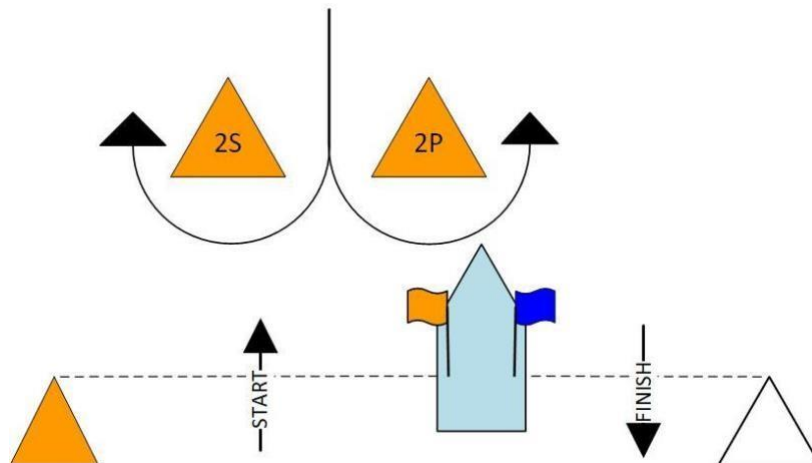
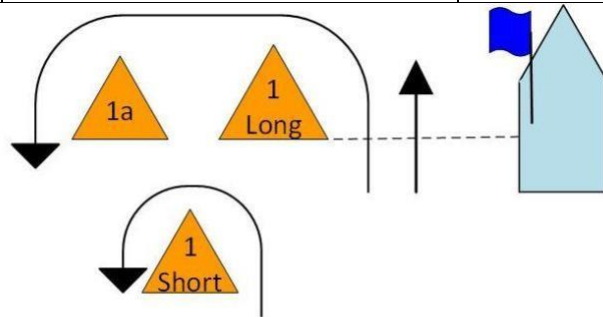
## 22 FURTHER INFORMATION

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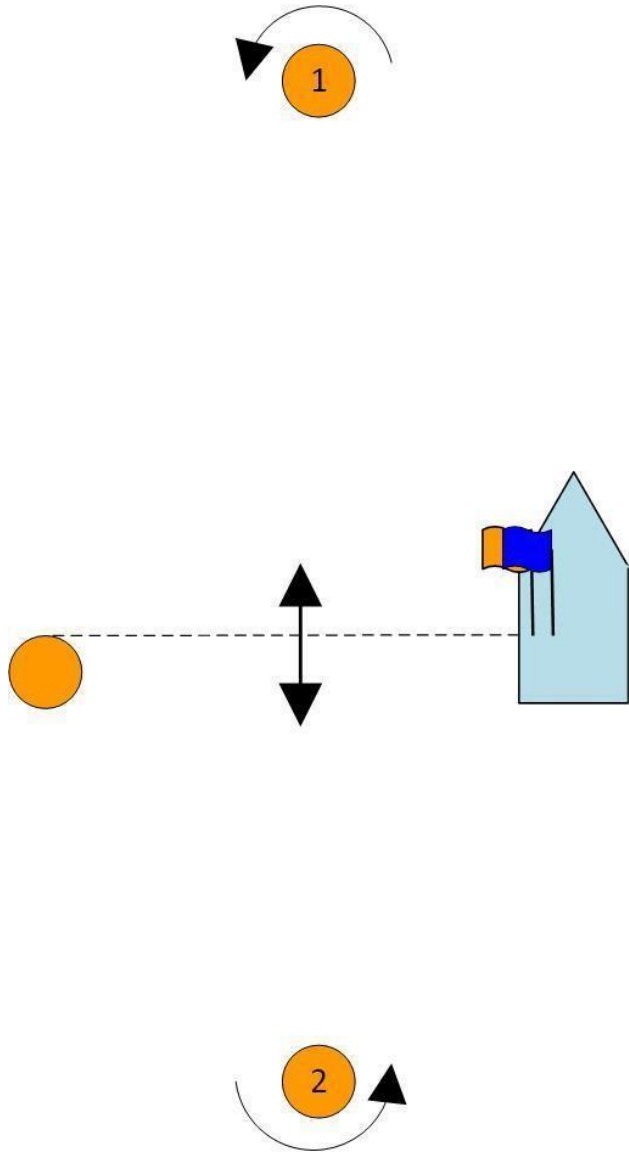
## Addendum A Course Diagrams

Course Assignment	4 Legs	5 Legs
LL (Long, Long)	Start - Long Mark 1 - Mark 2 - Long Mark 1 - Finish	Start - Long Mark 1 - Mark 2 - Long Mark 1 - Mark 2 - Finish
LS (Long, Short)	Start - Long Mark 1 - Mark 2 - Short Mark 1 - Finish	Start - Long Mark 1 - Mark 2 - Short Mark 1 - Mark 2 - Finish
SS (Short, Short)	Start - Short Mark 1 - Mark 2 - Short Mark 1 - Finish	Start - Short Mark 1 - Mark 2 - Short Mark 1 - Mark 2 - Finish
BL (Bravo Long)	Start - Long Mark 1 - Pin/Mark 2 - Long Mark 1 - Finish	
BLS (Bravo Long Short)	Start - Long Mark 1 - Pin/Mark 2 - Short Mark 1 - Finish	
BS (Bravo Short)	Start - Short Mark 1 - Pin/Mark 2 - Short Mark 1 - Finish	
W (Whiskey)	Start - 1 - 2 - 1 - Finish	Start - 1 - 2 - 1 - 2 - Finish





### Course W –Windward/Leeward



### Course B – Windward/Leeward

