

August 22 – 26, 2018

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 is 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 Prescriptions shall apply with the exception of the US Sailing prescription to RRS 63.2 which shall not apply.
- 1.3 RRS V1, a US Sailing prescription - "Penalty at the Time of an Incident," will apply, changing RRS 44.1
- 1.4 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 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS AND INFORMATION MEETING(S)

- 2.1 Notices to competitors shall be posted on the official notice board located on YachtScoring.com: (https://www.yachtscoring.com/notice_board_summary.cfm).
- 2.2 There shall be a competitors' meeting at immediately following the T-10 annual meeting (approximately 1830) on Wednesday, August 22 at Port Huron Yacht Club (PHYC).

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions shall be posted not less than 120 minutes prior to the first scheduled race on the day it shall take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races shall be posted by 1800 on the day before it shall take effect or by the protest time limit, whichever is later.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore shall be displayed from the PHYC flag pole.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 90 minutes" in race signal AP. *This changes race signals AP.*

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 The first warning signal on each day of racing – Thursday, 8/23; Friday, 8/24; Saturday, 8/25 and Sunday, 8/26 - shall be at 1100 hrs.
- 5.2 The Race Committee (RC) shall 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 shall the number of races be more than one ahead of schedule.
- 5.3 No warning signal shall be made after 1400 hrs on Sunday, August 26.

6 CLASS FLAG

The class flag will be the T-10 Class insignia on a white background.

7 RACING AREA

In the open waters of Lake Huron, approximately 2.4 nm north of the entrance to the St. Clair River from Lake Huron, near the “R6” navigation buoy.

8 THE COURSES

8.1 The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses, including the course designation number.

8.2 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.

8.3 The RC signal boat shall display on its starboard side the designated course number on a placard and may also display the approximate compass bearing and distance of the first leg.

9 MARKS

9.1 Marks 1 and 2S and 2P (the gate) shall be **orange** inflatable marks.

9.2 The offset mark shall be small **orange or red** spherical buoy.

9.3 New marks, as provided in instruction 11, shall be **yellow** inflatable marks.

9.4 The starting and finishing marks shall be inflatable marks, or an anchored boat displaying a staff with an orange flag.

10 THE START

10.1 The starting line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat and the course side of the mark or the staff displaying an orange flag as described in instruction 9.4.

10.2 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal shall be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. *This changes rule A5.*

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

11.1 To change the position of the next mark, the RC shall 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 shall be replaced by an original mark.

11.2 When a change mark is used to replace a weather mark, no offset mark shall be used.

12 THE FINISH

The finishing line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat and the course side of the mark or the staff displaying an orange flag as described in instruction 9.4.

13 TIME LIMITS

13.1 **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.

13.2 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes shall be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. *This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.*

14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

14.1 Protest forms are available at the registration desk or online (([US Sailing 2017-2020 Protest Form](#))). Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

14.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the RC signal boat docks after the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

- 14.3 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 at the location and time posted in the notice.
- 14.4 Protests by the race committee, protest committee or technical committee shall be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 14.5 **RRS Appendix T – Arbitration** will apply.
- 14.6 On the last scheduled day of racing, a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. *This changes RRS 62.2.*

15 SCORING

- 15.1 Four (4) races constitute a series.
- 15.2 In accordance with RRS A2, no scores shall be excluded.

16 SAFETY REGULATIONS [DP][NP]

- 16.1 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.
- 16.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the RC as soon as possible.

17 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT [DP]

- 17.1 Substitution of crew is permitted in accordance with T-Ten Class Rules Section 5 and NOR 20.1.
- 17.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment shall not be allowed unless authorized by the protest committee. Request for substitution shall be made to the protest committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

18 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS [DP][NP]

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a member of the race committee or technical committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection. Ashore, equipment may be inspected or measured at times specified in the class rules, the notice of race and any other time as directed by the protest or technical committees.

19 RADIO COMMUNICATION [DP][NP]

- 19.1 All radio communications between the RC and the competitors shall be on a VHF channel to be announced at the competitors' meeting and posted on the official notice board.
- 19.2 Various race information, including notification of OCS boats after the start, may be provided by the RC as a courtesy to competitors. This does not in any way alter the competitor's responsibility to observe the RC's visual signals which shall govern the conduct of the racing. Errors or omissions regarding this instruction shall not be grounds for redress. *This changes RRS 62.1(a).*
- 19.3 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.

20 AWARDS

- 20.1 Awards shall be presented at the Awards Ceremony after the conclusion of racing on the last day of each event.
- 20.2 The North American Championship Trophy shall be awarded to the North American Champion.
- 20.3 The Sparkman Stephens Performance Trophy shall be awarded to the contestant who wins an individual race during the North American Championship by the widest time margin.
- 20.4 The Charlie Britton Memorial Award shall be awarded to the best performing yacht in the North American Championship of those yachts with an overall standing score midpoint or greater at the end of the second race. In the event of an odd number, the odd numbered yacht shall be eligible for the award. Prior North American Champions are not included, nor the Champion of the current regatta.
- 20.5 The Elaine and Wes Pignolet Award shall be awarded to the best performing yacht in the North American Championship of those yachts with at least three (3) family members sailing the series.

21 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority shall not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

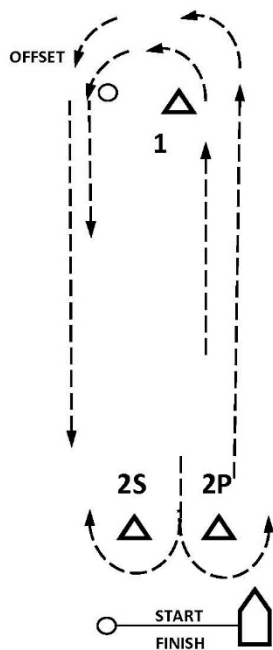
ATTACHMENT A
ILLUSTRATING THE COURSES

COURSE 4 and 6 DIAGRAM and ROUNDING ORDER (Not to Scale)

Course 4: START – 1 – Offset – 2P/2S – 1 – Offset – FINISH
(2 laps / 4 legs, downwind finish)

Course 6: START – 1 – Offset – 2P/2S – 1 – Offset – 2P/2S – 1 – Offset – FINISH
(3 laps / 6 legs, downwind finish)

Mark 2 may be either a gate or a single mark

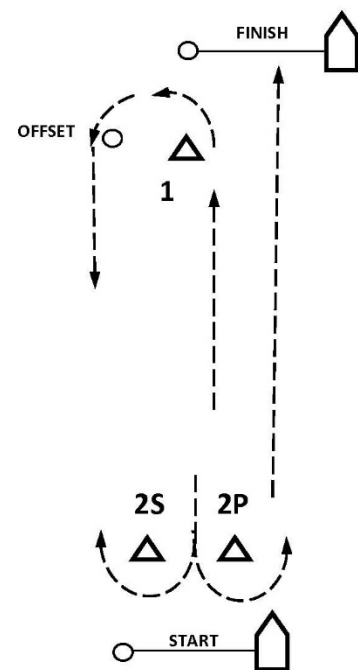


COURSE 3 and 5 DIAGRAM and ROUNDING ORDER (Not to Scale)

Course 3: START – 1 – Offset – 2P/2S – FINISH
(1 ½ laps / 3 legs, upwind finish)

Course 5: START – 1 – Offset – 2P/2S – 1 – Offset – 2P/2S – FINISH
(2 ½ laps / 5 legs, upwind finish)

Mark 2 may be either a gate or a single mark



**If there is only one leeward mark (Mark 2), it shall be left to port.
When a change mark is used to replace a weather mark, no offset mark shall be used.**