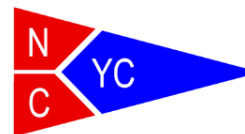




FINN GREAT LAKES CHAMPIONSHIP
Organizing Authority: North Cape Yacht Club (NCYC)
July 21-22, 2018
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



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).
- 1.2. RRS Appendix P will apply in its entirety with the exception of RRS P2.3 which will not apply.
- 1.3. The US Sailing prescription to RRS 63.2 shall not apply.
- 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. [DP][NP]

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS AND INFORMATION MEETING(S)

- 2.1. Notices to competitors shall be posted on the official notice board located on the window glass next to the north(main) entrance to NCYC.
- 2.2. There shall be a competitors' meeting at North Cape Yacht Club on Saturday, July 21, at 1030 hrs.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions shall be posted not less than 60 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 club flagpole at NCYC.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes" in race signal AP.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1. The first warning signal on Saturday will be 1130 hrs and on Sunday will be at 1030 hrs.
- 5.2. A maximum of five (5) races may be sailed.
- 5.3. No warning signal shall be made after 1500 hrs on Sunday, July 22.

6. CLASS FLAG

The class flag shall be a solid PURPLE flag.

7. RACING AREA

In the open waters of Lake Erie, approximately one mile east of NCYC.

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.

9. MARKS

- 9.1 Marks 1 and 2S and 2P (the gate) shall be **orange** inflatable marks.
- 9.2 The offset mark shall be an **orange** "hippity-hop" style mark.
- 9.3 New marks, as provided in instruction 12, 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

11.1 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.

11.2 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal shall be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. *This changes rules A4 and A5.*

11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

12.1 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.

12.2 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 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 notice board location. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered at either location within the appropriate time limit.

14.2 The protest time limit is 45 minutes after the RC boat docks after the last race of the day or 60 minutes after the RC signals "No more racing today," whichever is later. *This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.*

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 times posted on the official notice board.

14.4 Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee, or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

14.5 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a PC decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. *This changes RRS 62.2.*

14.6 If the race committee posts a list of boats scored OCS, ZFP, UFD, or BFD on the official notice board before the protest time limit, a request for redress based on such a posted score shall be made no later than one hour after the protest time limit. *This changes RRS 62.2.*

15 SCORING

15.1 One (1) races shall constitute a series.

15.2 In accordance with RRS A2, each boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score after five (5) have been completed.

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][NP]

- 17.1 Substitution of competitors beyond the final entry list shall not be allowed without prior written approval of the RC.
- 17.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment shall not be allowed unless authorized by the RC. Request for substitution shall be made to the Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

18 RADIO COMMUNICATION [DP][NP]

- 20.1 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.
- 20.2 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).*
- 20.3 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data transmissions that are not available to all boats.

19 AWARDS

- 21.1 Trophies will be awarded for the top three (3) finishers overall. Other categories may also be recognized.
- 21.2 Trophies will be awarded Sunday, July 22 at the conclusion of racing, pending the completion of all protests.

23 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

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.

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

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

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

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

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

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