



2009 SUMMER ONE DESIGN REGATTA

11 July 2009

Hosted by
The Annapolis Yacht Club
Annapolis, Maryland, USA



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 - RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 RRS 63.7 is replaced with: "If there is a conflict between a rule in the notice of race and one in the sailing instructions, the sailing instructions shall apply."

- 2 - **NOTICES TO COMPETITORS** - Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located by the door to the clubhouse from the terrace.

- 3 - **CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** - Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800 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.

4 - SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the mast at the AYC clubhouse.
- 4.2 Flag AP with two sound signals means: "Races not started are postponed." Before lowering flag AP, with one sound signal, the approximate time of the warning signal will be posted and will be at least 90 minutes after flag AP is lowered.
- 4.3 Code Flag "N" over Code Flag "A" with three sound signals means: "All races scheduled today but not started are canceled."
- 4.4 Flag L over one or more numeral pennant(s) with one sound signal means: "Notice to competitors number ___ has been posted."

5 - SCHEDULE OF RACES

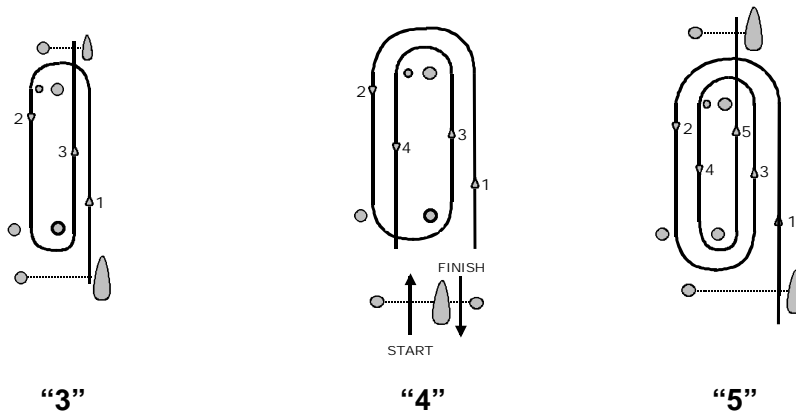
- 5.1 The race committee will rendezvous at 1000 with the fleet at "R"2" near the mouth of the Severn River. The committee will display flag L and proceed to the starting area. See Attachment 1.
- 5.2 The warning signal for the first race of the day will be made at 1045.
- 5.3 Five races are scheduled on Saturday. Races not completed on Saturday will not be sailed.
- 5.4 No starting signal will be made after 1600.

- 6 - **CLASS FLAGS** – The Melges 24 class flag will be flag F. The Etchells class flag will be flag E. The J/24 class flag will be will be flag U. The J/22 class flag will be a white flag bearing the class logo. The Farr 30 class flag will be numeral pennant 4.

- 7 - **CHECK – IN** - Before the first warning signal of the first race a boat sails each day, each boat shall pass the race committee signal boat and hail her sail number until acknowledged by the committee.

- 8 - **RACING AREA** - The racing area will be in the Chesapeake Bay off the mouth of the Severn River. See Attachment 1, Race Area.

9 - **COURSES** - The courses will be as shown in the diagrams (not to scale) and description below



- 9.1 No later than the warning signal the course to be sailed, the approximate distance between the leeward and windward marks, and the approximate magnetic bearing of the weather mark will be shown with numbers on a board.
- 9.2 For all courses, the leeward gate is not a mark of the course during the first leg of the course. For courses "3" and "5", the weather mark is not a mark of the course on the last leg of the course. For Course "4" the leeward gate is not a mark of the course on the last leg of the course
- 9.3 When the first mark of the course is to be an orange cylinder with a dark colored band, code flag C will be displayed by the starting line signal boat before the warning signal, accompanied by a series of repetitive sound signals.
- 9.4 For all courses an offset mark will be set 5 – 7 boat lengths to port of the weather mark.
- 9.5 For any downwind leg the leeward mark will be a gate.
- 10 - **MARKS** - Starting, finishing and offset marks will be lime green cylinders. All other marks will be orange cylinders, except as provided in SI 13 -.
- 11 - **THE START**
- 11.1 The starting line will be between the hoist of the orange flag displayed on the race committee signal boat and the course side of the Starting Mark.
- 11.2 The starting order for the first race of the day will be: Melges 24, Farr 30, Etchells, J/24, J/22.
- 11.3 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS. This changes RRS A4.1.
- 12 - **RECALLS** - The race committee will attempt to notify boats identified as OCS by announcing sail numbers over VHF Channel 72. Failure to hear or receive such transmission, or the order of sail numbers announced, will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.
- 13 - **CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE** - When changing a leg of the course in accordance with RRS 33, the new next mark will be an orange cylinder with a dark colored band. For subsequent changes the next new mark will alternate between orange cylinders and orange cylinders with a dark colored band.
- 14 - **THE FINISH** - The finishing line will be between the hoist of the orange flag displayed on the race committee boat and the finishing mark. If another race is to be run the race committee boat at the finish line will fly flag R.
- 15 - **PENALTY SYSTEM** - The Two Turns Penalty of RRS 44.1 applies. RRS 44.1 is changed by adding: "A boat breaking a rule of Part 2 of the RRS or RRS 31 may take a penalty after the incident and prior to the start of a protest hearing by taking a 40% Scoring Penalty. See SI 19.2 (Scoring)."

16 - TIME LIMITS

- 16.1 The race committee will abandon a race if no boat has rounded the first mark within 40 minutes after the start.
- 16.2 RRS 35 (Time Limit) is replaced by: "If the first boat in her class does not finish within two hours, the race shall be abandoned for that class. Boats not finished 20 minutes after the first boat in her class finishes shall be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) and proceed to the starting area if another race may be run (see SI 19.1, Scoring). When this 20 minute period has expired for **ALL** classes, the finish line Committee Boat will lower the Blue Shape, accompanied by a long sound signal."

17 - PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 17.1 RRS 61.1(a) is changed by adding: "The red flag must be displayed from either the backstay or backstay adjuster leg or the starboard shroud at least 2 feet above the deck. A boat displaying a red flag and intending to protest, shall inform the race committee as soon as possible after finishing by a hail that includes the sail number of the protested boat."
- 17.2 The protest time limit in RRS 61.3 is one hour after the race committee signal boat docks. Protest forms are available at Front Desk in the AYC clubhouse. The end of protest time will be posted on the official notice board as soon as possible.
- 17.3 Notices will be posted to inform competitors of arbitration meetings and protest hearings in which they are parties not later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit. Hearings will be held at AYC clubhouse as soon as possible, approximately in the order received. Location and times will be posted. Protests referred to the jury from the arbitrators will be added to the list of scheduled protests as they become available from arbitration.
- 17.4 The penalty for breaking Sailing Instruction 7 -, 20 -, 21 - or 23 - will be at the discretion of the protest committee.

18 - ARBITRATION

- 18.1 An arbitration meeting will be scheduled for each protest involving a rule of Part 2 or RRS 31 unless the arbitrator deems the protest inappropriate for arbitration. One representative of each party, who was on board at the time of the incident, will meet with the arbitrator. If all the parties to a protest are not represented, the arbitration meeting shall not be held. No additional witnesses will be permitted. After taking testimony from each representative, the arbitrator will render his opinion:
- The protest is invalid or no boat broke a rule. If the protestor agrees, the arbitrator will allow the protest to be withdrawn. If the protestor disagrees, the jury will schedule a protest hearing.
 - One or both boats broke a rule. The boat(s) breaking a rule may accept a 40% Scoring Penalty and the arbitrator will allow the protest to be withdrawn. If not, the jury will schedule a protest hearing.
 - The arbitrator decides a protest hearing is required. The jury will schedule a protest hearing.
- 18.2 RRS 63.1 is changed by adding "The arbitrator may allow a protest to be withdrawn without the approval of the protest committee."

19 - SCORING

- 19.1 Boats scored TLE will be scored points equal to the number of boats in their class finishing within the time limit plus two points, except that she shall not be scored worse than last place, by the race committee without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.2 and A5.
- 19.2 RRS 44.3(c) is changed by adding: The boat's 40% Scoring Penalty shall be the whole number (rounding 0.5 upward) nearest to 40% of the number of boats entered.
- 19.3 The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply, except that each boat's series score will be the sum of her scores for all races.
- 19.4 One race is required to be completed to constitute a regatta.

20 - **SAFETY REGULATIONS**

20.1 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 9, 13, 16 and 72.

20.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

20.3 Boats shall not exercise right of way, cross in close proximity to, or interfere with the reasonable transit of the race area by a freighter, tug or other commercial vessel. In a protest hearing under this rule, the burden of proof is on the boat which allegedly interfered with the freighter, tug or other commercial vessel. Competitors must take corrective action well in advance of any potentially dangerous situation. RRS 60.4 is changed to add "If the race committee receives a report of an incident where a boat(s) may have interfered with commercial traffic it may protest any boat involved."

21 - **TRASH DISPOSAL** – Boats shall not put trash in the water.

22 - **COURTESY BROADCASTS** - The race committee may attempt to provide information on VHF Channel 72 as a courtesy. In all cases race signals shall govern.

23 - **RADIO COMMUNICATIONS** - A boat shall not make any radio transmissions while racing except on VHF Channel 13 or 16, or with the race committee on VHF Channel 72. While racing, a boat shall not receive ANY communication not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

24 - **PRIZES** - Prizes will be awarded for first through third place. Prizes will be awarded after racing at the AYC clubhouse.

There will be a party for all competitors after racing at the clubhouse.

ATTACHMENT 1 - RACE AREA

