



Barnegat Light Yacht Club

(OA Organizing Authority)



2022 Central Atlantic District Championship

June 25-26, 2022

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

[NP] The notation '[NP]' in a *rule* means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

[DP] The notation '[DP]' in a *rule* means that the penalty for a breach of the *rule* may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. (*if needed*)

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The ILCA Constitution and By-Laws available at <https://www.lightningclass.org/> apply.
- 1.3 Rule V, Alternative Penalties, will apply.
- 1.4 Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply as changed: At the end of T4, Arbitration Meeting Outcomes, add: (c) If a protest is not withdrawn after arbitration, the arbitrator will not be a member of the jury that hears that protest but will be permitted to observe the testimony presented and offer evidence. This changes rule 63.3(a).

2 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted no later than 0930 on the day of racing.
- 2.2 Oral changes on course may be made by VHF radio

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the deck of the main clubhouse.
- 3.2 Each boat shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on VHF channel 71.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF channel 71.
- 3.4 [DP] While racing, from the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, 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 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located on the patio.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 45 minutes" in Race Signal AP.
- 4.3 [DP] Flag D with one sound means 'Boats are requested not to leave the dock until this signal is made. The warning signal will be made not less than 45 minutes after flag D is displayed.'

5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday June 24, 2022

1700-1900 Competitor Check-in

Friday June 24, 2022

0800-0930 Competitor Check-in

0930 Competitors' meeting

1100 First Warning Signal

1530 No Warning Signal after this time

Awards ceremony following the completion of racing on the porch

6 CLASS FLAGS

The class flag is the Lightning class emblem displayed on a white flag

7 RACING AREA

The racing area will be in the waters off Barnegat Light Yacht Club. Skipper meeting will define general race course location for north course or south course if weather requires a course closer to club house.

8 COURSES AND MARKS

8.1 Courses will be *windward-leeward* with the *leeward mark or gate to weather* of the starting line.

8.2 The signal vessel will display a course number on the course board no later than the warning signal.

Course: Description:

W2 Start - windward mark - finishing to leeward leaving the race committee boat to starboard.

W3 Start – windward mark - leeward mark - finishing to windward leaving the race committee boat to starboard

W4 Start – windward mark - leeward mark - windward mark - finishing to leeward leaving the race committee boat to starboard.

W5 Start – windward mark - leeward mark - windward mark - leeward mark - finishing to windward leaving the race committee boat to starboard

8.3 Course lengths are at the discretion of the race committee.

9 MARKS

9.1 Original rounding marks will be *Red cylinder for Windward and Yellow cylinders for leeward gate.*

9.2 *Offset mark is a small white sphere located near Windward mark.*

9.3 New marks, as provided in SI # 12, will be *Yellow cylinders for windward and Red cylinders for leeward gate/mark..*

10 THE START

10.1 Races will be started in accordance with *RRS 26 or Appendix U – Audible Signal Racing System*

10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel and a Red *spherical buoy on the port end.*

10.4 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 by loudhailer or VHF. 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).

10.5 A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

12 CHANGE THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When a subsequent new mark is replaced, it will be the replaced by an original mark.

13 THE FINISH

The finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the signal vessel and the course side of a Red *spherical buoy* on the *starboard* end.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3, applies. *The penalty is # of places or % if different from 44.3©*

14.2 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

15 TIME LIMITS

15.1 The time limit for the first boat to start, sail the course and finish is *90 minutes*.

- 15.2 The time limit for the first boat to start and round the first windward mark is *30 minutes*.
- 15.3 Boats failing to finish within *20 minutes* after the first boat in that division has started, sailed the course and finished will be scored "TLE". This changes rule 35.

16 HEARING REQUESTS

- 16.1 The protest time limit is *60 minutes* after the RC finish vessel personnel come ashore. All protest time limits will be posted on the official notice board.
- 16.2 Rule 61.1(a) is changed, add: Immediately after finishing, a protesting boat shall notify the race committee of her intent to lodge a protest and the identity of the boat she intends to protest.
- 16.3 Hearing requests such as protests and requests for redress may be filed electronically from the "*RRS App*" or *may* just use paper This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2. All such requests shall be delivered within the appropriate time limit.
- 16.4 The official notice board will be on the BLYC porch. Notice of hearings will be posted on the official notice board as soon as possible after the protest time limit has expired.
- 16.5 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted on the official notice board to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 16.6 Hearings will be conducted in person unless Covid protocols require virtual hearings. *If zoom hearings are required*, hearings will be conducted via Zoom video conference. Parties and witnesses shall each have a device with a camera capable of connecting to a Zoom video conference. Should any party require connection assistance, a limited number of spare laptops will be available at the jury desk. Parties and witnesses are expected to join the Zoom meeting when it commences. Witnesses will be placed in the (virtual) Waiting Room on Zoom until called upon for testimony.

May consider striking all of 16.6

17 SCORING

- 17.1 One completed race will constitute a series.
- 17.2 If fewer than *3* races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores without exclusion. If *4* or more races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 17.3 Boats scored "TLE" will receive 2 points more than the number of finishers in that race but will not be scored worse than DNF.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1 Prior to the warning signal of her first race each day, a boat shall sail past the stern of the race signal vessel, hail her sail number and be acknowledged by the race committee.
- 18.2 [DP] A boat that retires from a race or does not intend to compete in a race after checking in shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 18.3 [DP] All boats and support vessels shall comply with RRS 37 when flag V (white rectangle with red X) is displayed with 1 sound.

19 SUPPORT BOATS

- 19.1 Instructors, coaches, spectators and other support boats shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the *preparatory or warning signal* for the start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals postponement or abandonment. All support boats shall stay at least 100 yards away from any racing boat and from the starting and finishing area and shall move slowly and with minimal wake.
- 19.2 Coaches and support personnel are required to monitor the race committee VHF channel and follow any safety instructions issued by the race committee. The VHF channel will be *71*.

20 TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash may be placed aboard official or support person vessels.

21 PRIZES

Series prizes will be awarded for classes that qualify in NOR 2.1. Prizes will be awarded to first, second and third place boats following the completion of racing on the Barnegat Bay on June 26, 2022.

22 RISK STATEMENT

By registering for this event, the person-in-charge of each boat agrees with the following:

1) My crew and I recognize that sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury, sickness and disease (including communicable diseases such as Covid-19) associated with it. We have read RRS 3, Decision to Race, and hereby acknowledge and agree that we are participating in this event entirely at our own risk.

2) I acknowledge and agree that neither the organizing authority, host club nor the race committee, nor their members will be responsible for: a) any damage to the entered boat or my other property, or b) any injury, sickness or disease (including communicable diseases such as Covid-19) to my crew or me, including death, sustained as a result of our participation in this event.

3) I hereby waive any rights I may have to sue the race organizers (organizing authority, host club, race committee, protest committee, sponsors or any other organization or official) with respect to personal injury, sickness or disease (including communicable diseases such as Covid-19) or property damage suffered by my crew or me as a result of our participation in this event, whether on the water or on shore, and hereby release the race organizers from any liability for such injury, sickness or disease (including communicable diseases such as Covid-19) or damage to the fullest extent permitted by law.

4) I have taken all necessary steps to ensure that my crew and I and my entered boat are adequately prepared for all possible contingencies, including carrying and using appropriate safety equipment as may be required by law, racing rules and that a prudent seaman would consider advisable.

I agree to be bound by all rules that govern this event.

I will inform all crewmembers of the conditions stated herein for their participation in such racing

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact the Event Chair.

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