



Shields Class Sailing Association National Championship Regatta
Larchmont Yacht Club and Shields Fleet One
September 10 – 13, 2014

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016*.
- 1.2 Each boat shall carry a VHF radio capable of receiving and transmitting on all standard VHF channels. The fleet VHF channel for this event will be channel 05A.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board on the veranda of the clubhouse.

3 CHANGES IN THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board before 0830 on the day they take effect. 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 flagpole on the front lawn of the Larchmont Yacht Club.
- 4.2 When flag “AP” is displayed ashore, “1 minute” is replaced with “not less than 90 minutes” in race signals AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Tuesday, September 9

1700-1900 Registration (in the Pandemonium)

Wednesday, September 10

1000-1800 Registration (in the Pandemonium)

1100 First warning signal for the Legends Regatta

1430 Warning signal for practice race

1800 Competitors Meeting (in the Pandemonium)

Thursday, September 11 and Friday, September 12

1030 First warning signal of the day

Saturday, September 13

1030 First warning signal of the day

1400 No warning signal after this time

6 RACING AREAS

The racing area will be in Western Long Island Sound south of Larchmont Harbor.

7 COURSES

7.1 The race committee will signal one of four courses (4, 5, 6 or T) along with the approximate magnetic bearing and range (in nautical miles) to the windward mark.

7.2 Courses 4, 5 and 6 are windward/leeward courses with that number of legs. An offset mark will be set at the windward mark. The leeward mark will be a gate. If a gate is not set, round the leeward mark to port. (See course diagrams, Attachment 1)

7.3 Course T is a triangle, windward / leeward/ windward course (6 legs). The triangle will approximate a 45/45/90 right triangle. (See course diagram, Attachment 1)

8 MARKS

8.1 Marks will be orange tetrahedrons.

8.2 The offset mark will be an orange ball.

8.3 The start and finish marks will be inflatable orange cylinders.

8.4 A change mark in accordance with SI 11 will be a yellow tetrahedron. In the event of a subsequent change, an original mark will be used.

9 THE START

The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat and the course side of the starting mark.

10 RECALLS

- 10.1 The race committee will attempt to hail boats OCS over the fleet VHF channel.
- 10.2 The timing and order of such hails, or failure of boat to hear a hail shall not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes rules 60.1(b) and 62.1(a).

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

The race committee will endeavor to broadcast course changes over the fleet VHF channel.

12 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a yellow flag on the finish boat and the course side of the finish mark.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed as follows:
A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while *racing*. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident while in the *zone* around a *mark* other than a starting *mark*, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.
- 13.2 Appendix T, Section B, Post-Race Penalties will apply, changed as follows:
After a race, a boat that may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing may take a Post-Race Penalty for that incident. The penalty shall be a Scoring Penalty, calculated as stated in rule 44.3 (c). However, rules 44.1 (a) and (b) apply. A boat takes a Post-Race Penalty by informing the Protest Committee in writing and identifying the race number and when and where the incident occurred.
- 13.3 Rule T2.2 is deleted entirely and replaced with the following:
T2.2 The Post-Race Penalty shall be 30% if taken before the beginning of a protest hearing involving the incident.

14 TIME LIMITS

- 14.1 The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish shall be three hours.
- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course will be scored "TLE" without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

15 PROTESTS AND ARBITRATION

- 15.1 A boat intending to protest is requested to notify the race committee of its intention after completing the race in question and identify the protested boat or boats.
- 15.2 Protest forms will be available at the front desk of the clubhouse.

- 15.3 Completed protest forms shall be delivered to the protest desk located on the second floor hallway within the protest time limit which will be one hour after the race committee signal boat docks.
- 15.4 The protest time limit and a list of protests filed will be posted promptly to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 15.5 Arbitration and Protest hearings will be held on the second floor of the clubhouse.
- 15.6 Appendix T, Section D, Arbitration will apply, changed as follows:
Add T5.5 The arbitrator will not be a member of the panel that hears the protest but will be permitted to observe and present testimony.
- 15.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
- (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - (b) no later than 30 minute after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.
- This changes rule 66.
- 15.8 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 rule 62.2.

16 SCORING

- 16.1 A maximum of eight races is scheduled. Three completed races will constitute a series.
- 16.2 If fewer than five races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. If five or more races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score subject to rule 90.3(b).
- 16.3 A boat scored TLE will receive points equal to the number of finishers plus two.

17 FURTHER INFORMATION

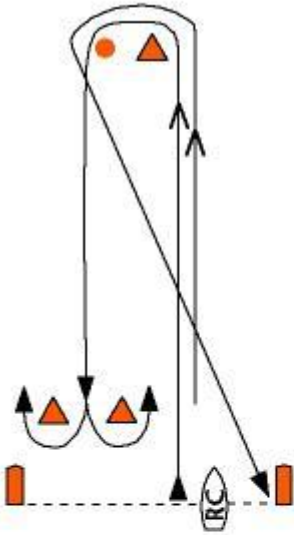
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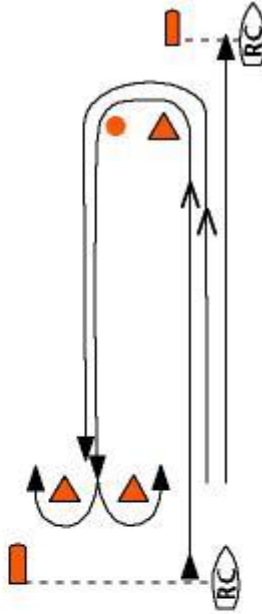
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Attachment 1: COURSE DIAGRAMS

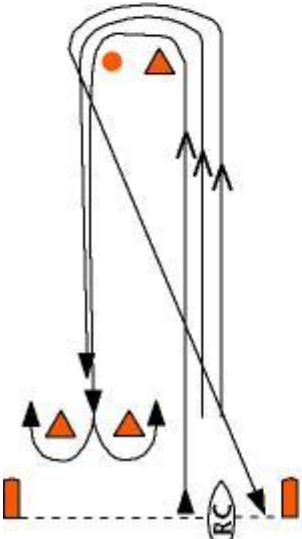
Course 4



Course 5



Course 6



Course T

