

2023 ECSC Governor's Cup Regatta Sailing Instructions

September 23-24, 2023

- 1. Rules: The Regatta will be governed by the Rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (current version).
 - 1.1. **RRS 29.2** <u>General Recall</u> is modified to allow the Race Committee to use any amount of time it wishes after the lowering of the general recall flag before resuming racing operations.
 - 1.2. **RRS 42** <u>Propulsion</u> In the event the course has a leeward mark start and a windward mark finish, boats may use their engines to return to the start area. Engines must be turned off prior to the next preparatory signal for that boat's class.
- 2. Notices to Competitors: Notices to competitors will be posted on the bulletin board outside the RC Headquarters.
- 3. **Changes to the Sailing Instructions:** Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the bulletin board outside the Race Committee Headquarters building no later than one (1) hour before the first warning on the day that it takes effect.

4. Signals made ashore:

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be made on the main RC boat at the dock.
- 4.2. When the flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in the race signal AP.

5. Schedule of Races:

- 5.1.1. Saturday, September 23th First Warning is 12:30 P.M., No Warning signal shall be made after appx. 4:30 P.M.
- 5.1.2. Sunday, September 24th First Warning is 10:00 A.M., No Warning Signal shall be made after appx. 1:00 P.M.
- 6. Class Flags: Class flags will be shown at the Competitors Meeting and may be combined at the discretion of the race committee.
- 7. **Courses:** Windward Leeward (designation WL with number of laps on separate placard), Modified Olympic (designation MO) and Point to Point (designation PP). WL courses may use a white offset mark in conjunction with the windward mark. WL courses may also use yellow buoys as port and starboard gate as an alternative to a leeward mark. PP courses may use permanent marks, designated by red or green numbered placards (to determine rounding), and/or temporary orange buoys, (recognized as T, T1, T2, etc. in order of rounding).
- 8. Marks: Marks will be either the permanent race marks, temporary Orange, Red, White or Yellow buoys.
- 9. **The Start:** The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting boat at the starboard end, and the course side of the port-end starting mark. The port end may be, a permanent mark, or an orange or white ball.
 - 9.1. Boats whose starting signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 10. **The Finish:** WL and MO courses the finish line will be between the orange flag on the Finish vessel and a white ball (unless changed by "shortening" the course RRS 32). Boats shall cross the finish line from the direction of the previous mark. For PP courses the finish line will be between the orange flag on the RC boat and the last mark listed on the course card (unless changed by "shortening" the course RRS 32). Boats shall cross the finish line from the direction of the previous mark (regardless of the color of the course card).

11. Time limits:

- 11.1. If no boat has passed the first mark within 30 minutes of that class' start the race will be abandoned.
- 11.2. If no boat has finished within 90 minutes of that class' start the race will be abandoned.
- 11.3. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Time Limit Expired without a hearing. TLE boats shall receive a score equal to the number of boats that finished plus 2, not to exceed the number of boats that started. This changes rule 62.1(a).

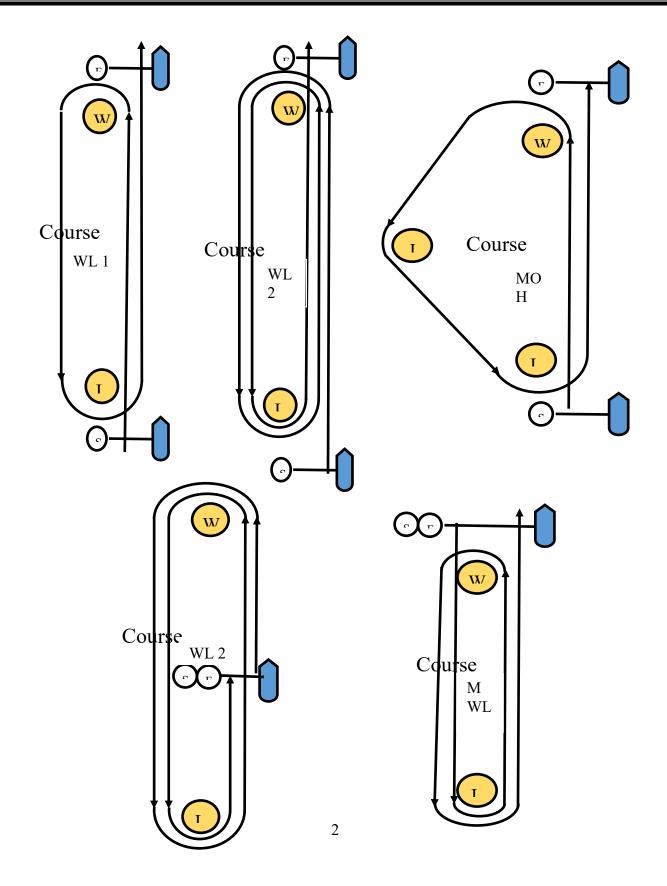
12. Protests.

- **12.1.** The RC vessel shall sound its horn when it returns to its dock. All protests must be filed with the RC at the RC Headquarters shed within 30 minutes of when RC vessel docks and sounds its horn.
- **12.2.** RC will make a verbal announcement at the RC Headquarters shed, which shall include the protestor, protestee, any witnesses and the time and location of the hearing. The RC will allow 30 minutes time for the protested boat to prepare. Failure to hear the announcement shall not constitute grounds for granting redress under rule 62.1(a).
- 13. Withdrawal: boats that retire before finishing shall contact the RC or safety boats and declare their retirement from racing.
- 14. Scoring: Scoring shall be by the Low Point Scoring System Appendix A except as modified below.
 - 14.1. One (1) race is required to constitute a regatta.
 - 14.2. When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her races.
 - 14.3. When six (6) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of all of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 15. Keelboats may not be hauled out or careened for cleaning or inspection during the regatta without approval of the race committee.

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